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Graduation Instructions

11 a.m., Saturday, June 2, 2018

Elsbree Street Campus

Please read the following instructions carefully.

Graduation exercises will take place in a 2,500-person tent on the Elsbree Street Campus on Saturday, June 2, 2018. The ceremony will take place at 11 a.m. sharp, rain or shine.

When	What	Where
9:15 – 10:00 a.m.	Check in at the ‘Last Name’ registration table and pick up a card to be read on stage that indicates your name, program, and honors <i>(if applicable)</i> .	Jackson Arts Center Lobby <i>(H bldg.)</i>
10:15 a.m.	Line up alphabetically by program. <i>(You will be directed to your specific line-up bldg.)</i>	C, E, or K bldg.
10:30 a.m.	March into the tent and be seated.* <i>(Ushers will direct you to your seat.)</i>	
	* <i>In the event of rain or the threat of rain, please bring an umbrella for protection during the processional from your line-up building to the tent.</i>	
11:00 a.m. <i>sharp</i>	Ceremony begins.	
During the Ceremony	Go up on stage to receive your diploma cover and return to your seat.	Under tent
	Remain seated until the end of the ceremony, and march out of tent behind the platform party, faculty and staff.	
After the Ceremony	Meet with guests, faculty, and staff at the reception.	Commonwealth College Center Cafeteria <i>(G bldg.)</i>
	<i>Degrees and certificates for graduates are mailed within four weeks following commencement. If you are a December graduate, you should have already received your diploma.</i>	

Accommodations for Disabilities



OFFICE OF DISABILITY SERVICES

For accommodations, contact:

508.678.2811 ext.2955

ODSAccess@BristolCC.edu

The Commencement ceremony is accessible to persons with disabilities. The stage will be accessible by wheelchair and American Sign Language Interpreters will be provided. ***If you or a guest require special assistance or services*** please call Julie Jodoin at 508-678-2811, ext. 2568 or by videophone (VP) at 508-689-7616.

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Attire

Please plan accordingly for adverse weather conditions. Also note that part of the processional involves walking through the campus grounds. You will march through the tent on grassy areas; please wear appropriate shoes. High heels often sink in the grass while loose fitting shoes could slip and slide. You might also want to bring an umbrella if rain is in the forecast.

Guests at Graduation

Seating for guests is provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs for seating outside of the tent.

Guests are asked to go directly to the tent to be seated in order to make the task of lining up graduates easier. Please follow the instructions of the ushers.

Commencement Photographs

In order to help you in planning the best way to capture commencement memories in photographs, please be aware of the following.

GradImages™ featuring GradTrak® is the official commencement photographer. An individual photograph of each graduate will be taken. A proof of the photograph will be mailed to you along with information on ordering copies and enlargements. You may view your photos on their website at <https://www.gradimages.com/>.

President Douglas will be available for photographs during the reception in the Commonwealth College Center. Please provide your own camera and bring someone to take the picture.

Flowers

One or more student organizations will be selling flowers on Commencement day on the campus grounds. We encourage you and your family to consider purchasing flowers from these students. Other vendors may be selling flowers outside the campus on the city streets, but please note that only student organizations will be allowed on the campus itself.

Simulcast

The Commencement Ceremony will be simulcast by Fall River Community Television on channel 95. Fall River Cable subscribers can watch the ceremony live on Channel 95 beginning at 11 a.m. The ceremony will be rebroadcast frequently during the month of June; exact times will be posted on Channel 95. In addition the ceremony will also be streamed live online at www.frctv.org.

Questions

Questions about your graduation status, incomplete grades, ineligibility to graduate, etc. should be addressed to the Records Office at 508-678-2811, ext. 2364. For all other questions, call the Student Life Office at ext. 2222.