



2022 Commencement Ceremony Q&As

When is the 2022 Commencement Ceremony?

The 2022 Commencement Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, May 25th at 1:00 pm at Dickies Arena. The ceremony is expected to conclude by 4:00 pm.

How many students are participating?

About 820 students are graduating, about 700 of those will be participating in the actual ceremony.

Will the event be ticketed?

The event will not be ticketed and there is not a limit on the number of guests' graduates can invite to the ceremony.

Will guests social distance?

Guests will find their seats on a first-come, first-serve basis when they arrive at the venue.

Dickies Arena can hold over 11,000 guests and HSC historically holds around 6,000 guests at Commencement.

Are masks required?

The wearing of face masks at Dickies Arena is not required, but optional.

Is there a fee for parking at Dickies Arena?

Parking is available in the Yellow Lots and Chevrolet Parking Garage for \$20.00.



Is there ADA seating and wheelchair availability?

Dickies Arena has ADA decks on the plaza and gallery levels. Guest services staff will help guests who need wheelchair assistance. Dickies Arena ADA decks are usually one-wheel chair and one-companion per deck which may split up the party, but there are numerous ADA areas spread around the arena.

Dickies arena also has six wheelchairs that can be used on rotation so guests can be helped from the door to their seats, but wheelchairs cannot be kept throughout the ceremony. Guests can bring their own wheelchairs as well and sit at any of the ADA platform decks.

Are there changes to this year's ceremony?

The following will be incorporated back into the 2022 Commencement Ceremony.

- The Grand Marshal will kick-off the ceremony by leading the processional.
- Faculty that RSVP to attend the commencement ceremony will check-in, line-up and will be led by the Faculty Banner Carrier, following the platform party processional. Faculty will be seated on the arena floor.
- Graduates will check-in, line-up and will be led by each academic programs Alumni Banner Carrier for the processional. Graduates will be seated on the arena floor.
- Hooding will take place at this year's ceremony. Faculty hooders will check-in and line-up in the appropriate order amongst graduates within their prospective academic programs. Faculty hooders will process in and sit with graduates during the ceremony.
- Graduates will cross the stage and have their name announced, and be hooded by faculty advisors from their academic programs.