

# Welcome to Your 2025 Commencement Rehearsal!

We congratulate you on your academic achievement and look forward to celebrating with you and your family and friends. We realize many of you have other obligations this evening, so we will move quickly through the materials to be presented tonight and finish by 6:30 pm.

## Rehearsal Agenda

- I. Welcome
- II. Alumni Association Representative
- III. Venue Discussion
  - Parking & Entry
  - Arrival
  - Seating
  - ADA Information
  - Cap, gown, regalia
  - The Processional
  - Conferring of Degrees
  - The Recessional
- IV. Final Announcements
- V. Breakout Sessions – optional

## The Processional

- Before you line up, go to the information booth and get your name card.
- Line up based on the degree you're receiving (Bachelors, GED/HS 21+ and AA/Certificate), there will be signage. If you want to sit next to someone, you need to be in the same line and join the line together, please be respectful of other Graduates and DO NOT hold spaces in line for those that are late, wait and join the line together.
- **WE WILL START PROMPTLY AT 6:30**, plan for traffic, parking and the walk into the facility.
- You will be led into the ceremony by your Line Marshal.
- Follow the directions of your Line Marshal as they escort you into your seat.
- Remain standing until the President requests you sit down after the National Anthem.

## Conferring of Degrees

- Watch your Line Marshal for the signal to rise and proceed to the stage.
- Take all your belongings as you may not end up back at the same seat!
- Line-up single file along the stage ramp and wall. Please NO talking when you approach the ramp.
- Hand your 1st name card to the person just before the ramp when directed.
- Hand your 2nd name card to the reader when directed by the usher at the top of the ramp.
- When your name is read, cross the stage to the President to receive your scroll.
- Shake with your RIGHT hand and receive the scroll with your LEFT hand.
- Exit the stage using the opposite ramp.
- Stop at the bottom of the ramp for your photograph and return to your seat.

## The Recessional

- Watch for your Line Marshal to signal you to rise and exit the building.
- The Platform Dignitaries and Faculty will exit first, followed by the graduates.
- You will exit out of the EAST doors and pass through a reception line on the EAST plaza.
- Please make arrangements with your guests to meet them in a specific location near the main gate entrance, it is difficult to find someone among the estimated thousands of guests we are expecting.

## CASCADES AMPHITHEATER, 17200 NE Delfel Rd, RIDGEFIELD WA



### Tips for Graduates and their Guests:

- Graduates MUST return back to their seat after receiving their scroll
- Guests will be asked to stay seated during the processional and recessional.
- If guests anticipate they will need to leave during the ceremony please sit in the 200 level.
- Guests can meet up with their graduate at the main gate after the ceremony.
- The West doors and plaza will be closed to guests.
- Graduates get to keep their regalia.
- NO balloons or gifts allowed in the venue and only clear or small clutch bags (diaper and medical bags will be inspected but are permitted).

## Reminders:

- ✓ Parking lots and gates open at 5:00 PM. Parking is free.
- ✓ No tickets are needed for admission.
- ✓ No balloons, gifts, umbrellas, only clear or small bags are allowed in the facility.
- ✓ Seating is first come first serve. If guests need to reserve seats they should sit in the 200 level.
- ✓ The WEST side of the facility is only for graduates and Faculty & Staff.
- ✓ Photographs are welcome, but guests must remain in their seats. The aisles must remain clear at all times to comply with fire codes.
- ✓ Grad Images will be taking professional photos, you can pre-register (with no obligation to purchase) by going to <https://www.gradimages.com/Registration>, registering will ensure you receive your proofs in a timely manner, it will also provide you with a 20% discount of \$50 or more, if you decide to purchase.
- ✓ Strollers are not allowed.
- ✓ There is no smoking inside the facility. Smoking is allowed in the plaza area only.
- ✓ If you or your guests need disability accommodation, you must contact Disability Access Center after rehearsal. A reminder the walk from the main gate is a bit long so some guests may wish to utilize ADA services that may not typically need these services.

## **HONORS**

Those students participating in June ceremonies will receive recognition at the celebration based on **Cumulative GPA on record at the end of winter term.**

- Student Transcripts & Diplomas will be notated based on the appropriate GPA calculation at the end term the program has been completed.

Bachelor of Applied Science-----Honors status is determined by: College-Level GPA

Applied Management

Cybersecurity

Dental Hygiene

Human Services

Teacher Education

Associate in Arts-----Honors status is determined by: College-Level GPA

Associate in Fine Arts

Associate in Science Transfer

Direct Transfer Agreement (DTA)

Major Ready Pathways (DTA-MRP)

Associate in Applied Science-----Honors status is determined by: Cumulative GPA

Associate in Applied Technology

Certificates of Proficiency-----Merit status is determined by: Cumulative GPA

Certificates of: Achievement/ Completion & HS Diplomas-----Are not eligible for honors.

## **REGALIA**

3.40 or higher **With Merit**

Tassel: Silver

3.40- 3.89 **With Honors**

Cord & Tassel: Crimson

3.90 or higher **With High Honors**

Cord & Tassel: Gold

Veterans

Cord: Red, White and Blue

Phi Theta Kappa

Cord & Tassel: Blue and Yellow (optional purchase through the club)

Students with Disabilities

Cord: Purple

Stoles: AANHP, ASCC, Athletics, International, Kente, Multicultural, Native American, PTK, LGBTQIA, Serape

## **CAP & GOWNS**

Bachelor of Applied Science

Gown: White

High School Completion

Gown: Columbia Blue

Associate degrees & Certificates

Gown: Royal Blue

## **PROGRAM**

Please note: If you did not get your Graduation Application/Ceremony Sign-Up Form submitted by **April 11**, your name **is not guaranteed** to be included in the commencement program.

## **END OF TERM PROCESSING: SPRING**

Spring term grades available on transcript:

June 25

All Degrees and Certificates will be posted to transcripts by:

July 18 (with a conferral date of 6/20/25)

Diploma rosters submitted to Parchment for processing:

Mid-Late July

\*If you have moved or intend on moving, please update your address in CTC

## **REMINDERS**

- **Name Cards:** Please stop by the Information Booth at the Amphitheatre to pick up your name cards.
- **Disability Access Center:** Contact 360-992-2314 or [DAC@clark.edu](mailto:DAC@clark.edu) or video phone 360-991-0901