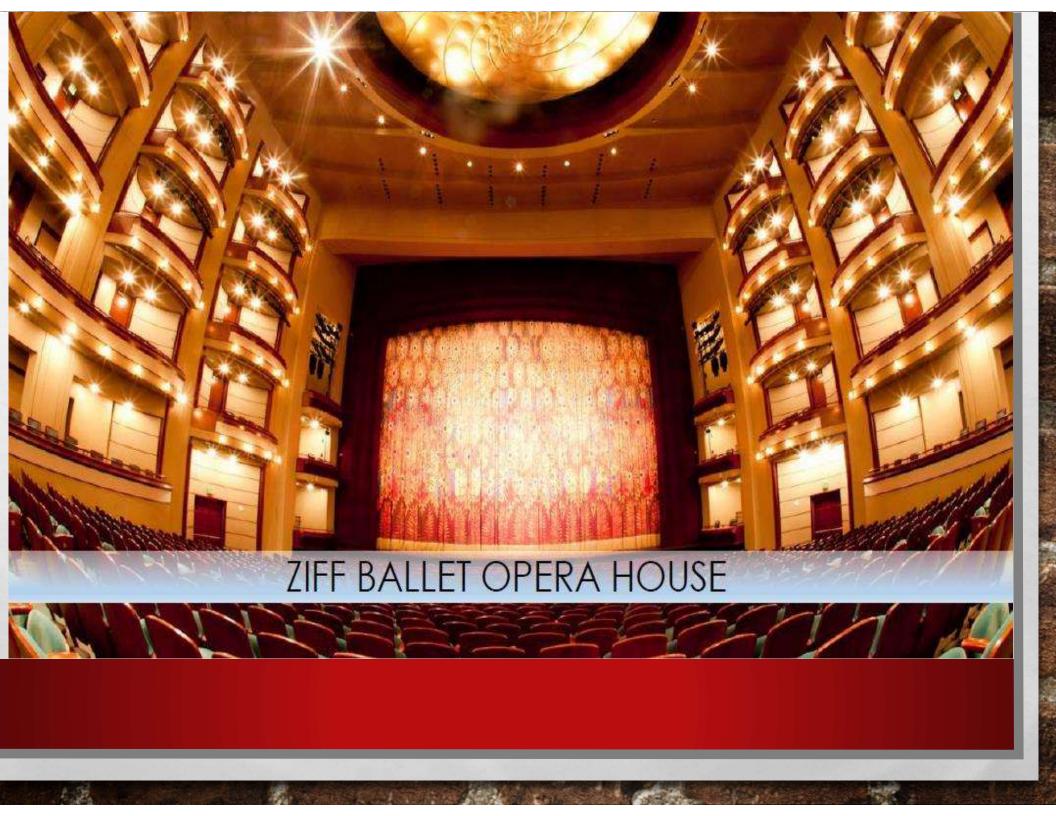


# 2025 GRADUATION INFORMATION

# **GRADUATION BASICS**

- THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2025 8:00PM
- ADRIENNE ARSHT CENTER- ZIFF BALLET OPERA HOUSE
- 6:30 PM GRADUATES ARRIVE
- 7:30 PM GUESTS ENTER THEATER
- 7:55 PM DOORS CLOSE
- 8:00 PM (START TIME)







#### WHEN DO I GET MY CAP AND GOWN?

- CAP & GOWNS WILL BE DELIVERED IN MAY.
- WE AIM TO DISTRIBUTE THEM MAY 20.
- IF YOU HAVE ANY ACADEMIC OR FINANCIAL HOLDS YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE YOUR GOWN ON THIS DAY.

#### • WHAT SHOULD BE IN THE CAP AND GOWN BAG?

- 1. CAP WITH 2025 TASSEL, GOWN, MAST MEDALLION.
- 2. CAMBRIDGE OR MARITIME STOLE IF YOU HAVE MET THE REQUIREMENTS.
- 3. COMMUNITY SERVICE CORD IF YOU HAVE 300+ COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS ON FILE PRIOR TO MARCH.



- HONOR SOCIETY CORDS ARE DISTRIBUTED BY FACULTY SPONSOR FOR YOUR GROUP.
- ONLY CORDS ISSUED TO YOU FROM MAST ARE ALLOWED TO BE WORN AT THE CEREMONY.
- CLUBS DISTRIBUTING CORDS WILL NEED SUBMIT THE NAMES OF EACH RECIPIENT.

- DO NOT ALTER YOUR CAP AND GOWN IN ANY WAY.
- NO MESSAGES, PICTURES, OR ANY DRAWINGS ON THE CAP AND GOWN!
   DOING SO WILL RESULT IN YOUR REMOVAL FROM THE GRADUATION. NO HATS/CAPS,OR ANY OTHER ITEMS OF THAT NATURE.

#### THE ONLY ITEMS PERMITTED ARE:

- OFFICIAL MAST ACADEMY CORDS (YOURS ONLY).
- OFFICIAL <u>MAST ACADEMY</u> MEDALLION.
- OFFICIAL MAST ACADEMY STOLES

#### HOW DO I WEAR THE CAP/GOWN?

- CAPS ARE ONE SIZE FITS ALL (TRY IT ON).
- TASSELS ON THE RIGHT SIDE.
- GOWNS SHOULD BE WRINKLE FREE (DO NOT IRON).
- GOWN LENGTH IS MID-CALF.
- STOLES MEDALLIONS AND CORDS ARE WORN OVER THE GOWN.
- TRY TO AVOID PATTERNED, OR BRIGHTLY COLORED CLOTHING UNDER THE GOWN.
- DRESS SHIRTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY TIES.

#### PRE-GRADUATION

- TRY YOUR GOWN ON.
  - MAKE SURE THE LENGTH IS CORRECT
  - MAKE SURE THE ZIPPER WORKS
- HANG-UP YOUR GOWN TO SMOOTH OUT WRINKLES.
- TAKE YOUR INFORMAL PICTURES WITH YOUR CAP AND GOWN BEFORE GRADUATION



### **GRADUATION DRESS CODE**



#### WHAT DO I WEAR?

- DRESS PANTS (LIGHT COLORED PREFERRED)
- DRESS SHIRT WITH COLLAR & TIE (LIGHT COLORED)
- DRESS SHOES (NO SNEAKERS, FLIP FLOPS, SANDALS)
- DRESS OR SKIRT & BLOUSE (LIGHT COLORED, NO MINI'S)
- DRESS PANTS AND BLOUSE (LIGHT COLORED PREFERRED)

# GRADUATION DRESS CODE

- NO MIDRIFFS
- DRESS SHOES OR DRESS SANDALS. NO SNEAKERS, FLIP FLOPS, ETC.
  - ABSOLUTELY NO JEANS, SHORTS, MINI SKIRTS OR ANY OTHER GARMENT CONSIDERED TO BE TO CASUAL.

# GRADUATION DAY

ARRIVAL TIME AT ARSHT CENTER: 6:30 PM

#### WHERE DO I GO?

- AFTER ARRIVING, PROCEED TO THE PEACOCK ROOM (GRADUATES ONLY!). USHERS WILL GIVE YOU FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS UPON YOUR ARRIVAL.
- ALL GUESTS WILL BE ALLOWED INTO THE ADRIENNE ARSHT CENTER AT AROUND 7:15 PM.
   THEY MUST REMAIN IN THE MAIN LOBBY UNTIL THE DOORS TO THE AUDITORIUM ARE
   OPENED FOR SEATING. GUESTS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE HOLDING AREA FOR GRADUATES.



# **GRADUATION DAY**

# • GRADUATES AND GUESTS MUST ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING:

ALL GRADUATES AND THEIR GUEST MUST CONDUCT
THEMSELVES IN A DIGNIFIED MANNER. NO ITEMS THAT
DISTRACT FROM THE CEREMONY WILL BE PERMITTED.
GRADUATES AND GUEST NOT IN COMPLIANCE WILL BE
REMOVED FROM THE PREMISES, AND THE GRADUATE WILL NOT
RECEIVE HIS/HER DIPLOMA IN A TIMELY MANNER.

# **GRADUATION DAY**

- NO CELLPHONES
- NO NOISEMAKERS OR ITEMS THAT MAY CAUSE A DISTRACTION
- NO BAGS OR PURSES
- NO INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP ACTS OUTSIDE OF THE PLANNED ACTIVITIES

# PARKING

LATEST PARKING OPTIONS VIA THE ADRIENNE ARSHT WEBSITE:

HTTPS://WWW.ARSHTCENTER.ORG/VISIT/PARKING-AND-TRAFFIC/

PARKING IN THE 1400 GARAGE IS THE CLOSEST AND MOST VIABLE OPTION FOR THIS VENUE. LOCAL RULES AND RATES MUST BE ADHERED TO. POLICE WILL ASSIST.

# **PARKING**



Please check the Arsht Center website (ArshtCenter.org) for latest parking options

# SPECIAL REQUESTS

SPECIAL REQUESTS NEED TO BE EMAILED TO

JENNIFERFERNANDEZ@DADESCHOOLS.NET

**NO LATER THAN APRIL 25, 2025** 

**INCLUDE: STUDENT NAME** 

GUEST FULL NAME AND ACCOMMODATION NEEDED AS WELL AS CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE GUESTS/GROUP. THIS WILL BE SHARED WITH THE ARSHT CENTER STAFF.

- GRADUATION WILL BEGIN AT 8:00 PM WITH OR WITHOUT YOU.
- GRADUATES WILL NEED TO BE **SILENT** UPON EXITING THE PEACOCK ROOM.
- STUDENTS ARE TO WALK INTO THE THEATER QUIETLY, ATTENTIVELY, AND RESPECTFULLY.
- REMEMBER TO LEAVE YOU PHONE WITH YOUR RELATIVES.

- ROWS WILL BE LABELED ON THE FLOOR AS YOU WALK IN.
- STUDENT USHERS WILL ASSIST YOU IN FINDING YOUR SEATS, BUT YOU MUST PAY ATTENTION TO WHAT YOU ARE DOING.
- REMAIN STANDING UNTIL YOU ARE ASKED TO BE SEATED.
- LISTEN ATTENTIVELY TO ALL THE SPEAKERS AND PLEASE ACT APPROPRIATELY.

- LOUD, CLAPPING, CHEERING, SHOUTING OR UNNECESSARY CLAPPING SHOULD NOT HAPPEN.
- MEN ARE ASKED TO REMOVE THEIR CAPS FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & ALMA MATER.
- YOU SHOULD BE FACING FORWARD AT ALL TIMES AND LISTENING ATTENTIVELY TO THE SPEAKERS.

#### WHEN IT'S TIME YOU RECEIVE YOUR DIPLOMA.....

- YOU WILL STAND ONE ROW AT A TIME AND EXIT TO THE LEFT TOWARDS THE STAGE.
- HAND YOUR NAME CARD TO THE ANNOUNCER.
- WALK ACROSS THE STAGE (IN A DIGNIFIED MANNER).
- SHAKE THE PRINCIPAL'S HAND WITH YOUR RIGHT HAND.
- ACCEPT THE DIPLOMA COVER WITH YOU LEFT HAND.
- RESPECTFULLY SHAKE THE HANDS OF THE REMAINING ADMINISTRATORS AND DIGNITARIES IN THE DAIS PARTY.

### **GRADUATION CEREMONY PICTURES**

WHEN DO I HAVE MY PICTURE TAKEN?

YOU WILL HAVE FEW PICTURES TAKEN:

- 1. ACCEPTING YOUR DIPLOMA SHAKING HANDS WITH THE PRINCIPAL.
- 2.2-3 PHOTOS ON THE SIDE OF THE STAGE BEFORE RETURNING TO YOUR SEAT
- PICTURES ARE TAKEN GRAD IMAGES. THE CONTACT INFORMATION IS ON YOUR SENIOR PACKET AND ONLINE. THEY WILL MAIL YOU PROOFS USING THE INFORMATION YOU PROVIDE ON YOUR NAME CARDS.

# GRADUATION CEREMONY CONCLUSION

- SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT WILL LEAD THE TURNING OF THE TASSEL. RIGHT TO LEFT!
- YOU WILL BE PRONOUNCED GRADUATES BY THE PRINCIPAL.
- DO NOT THROW OR REMOVE YOUR CAPS.
- CLOSING REMARKS
- JOIN IN WHILE THE SINGING OF THE ALMA MATER IS TAKING PLACE.
- EXIT THE VENUE TO THE RIGHT THROUGH A DOOR NEXT TO THE STAGE IN AN ORDERLY MANNER. DO NOT EXIT THROUGH THE MAIN DOORS.

## **POST GRADUATION CEREMONY**

WHERE DO I RETURN MY GOWN?

PEACOCK EDUCATIONAL CENTER

• WHERE DO I GET MY DIPLOMA?

MAST ACADEMY- DATE/TIME (TBA)

### **POST GRADUATION CEREMONY**

#### • WHAT IF MY DIPLOMA ISN'T THERE?

DIPLOMAS ARE PULLED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

PENDING SATISFACTIONS OF FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS.

IMPROPER CONDUCT/BEHAVIOR DURING THE CEREMONY.

### **GRADUATION TICKETS**

#### **HOW DO I GET TICKETS?**

- TICKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED WITH CAP & GOWNS
- TARGET DATE MAY 20
- EACH STUDENT WILL RECEIVE (5) TICKETS.
- STUDENTS MAY REQUEST EXTRA TICKETS ELECTRONICALLY. ONLY REQUEST VIA THIS LINK WILL BE HONORED.
- EXTRA TICKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ALONG WITH REGULAR TICKETS.

TICKETS MAY NOT BE SOLD OR DUPLICATED



## **GRADUATION TICKETS**





**DUE APRIL 20** 

**EXTRA TICKET REQUESTS** 

# GRADUATION DECORUM FORMS

**PENDING** 

DUE APRIL 30
GRADUATION DECORUM FORMS