

Participation in Graduation

All seniors will be required to have completed all graduation requirements prior to graduation and participate in graduation practice, in order to participate in the graduation ceremony. Including remitting any outstanding fines and signing a contract of behavior in order to PARTICIPATE in graduation ceremony. **Participating in the Graduation Ceremony is a Privilege, Not a Right.**

Graduation Ceremony Information

• The graduation ceremony will be at Georgia College and State University's Centennial Center on **Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.**

• GRADUATES need to be at their designated locations (that will be assigned at graduation practice) by 5:00 p.m.

- GRADUATES will gather for graduation in the assigned locations at the Centennial Center. They must check in with their assigned staff member upon arrival.
- Graduates are encouraged to carpool as parking is limited.

• Guests will enter through the upstairs MAIN and entrance at the Centennial Center. Entry at any other location will not be permitted.

- Tickets will be distributed at practice.
- **All guests, no matter how young, must have a ticket in order to enter the Centennial Center.** This includes babies held by adults per GCSU and fire marshal guidelines.
- Please remember that this is a formal ceremony therefore, no air horns, balloons, or silly string (or similar items) are permitted. These items will be confiscated by the Faculty/staff/Jones County Sheriff's Officer and the owner may be asked to leave the program.
- Female graduates should NOT bring purses as we have nowhere to store them.
- ONLY those in proper attire will be allowed to participate in the ceremony.

1. There should be NO ornamentation (other than honor cords/stoles provided by the school) added to the cap and gown.

2. NO personalization on the cap and/or gown. This includes embroidery, glitter, etc . . .

Graduation Dress Code for Female Students:

1. A dress or black/navy dress pants (no capris or shorts).
 - a. Dresses should be shorter than the graduation gown, and because it can be seen in the split of the gown, it should be a color and/or pattern that doesn't clash with the purple gown.
2. Dark shoes (no sequins or other embellishments)
 - a. For your safety, avoid wearing spiked heels (flats and wedges are encouraged).
 - b. NO flip flops, house shoes, slippers, athletic shoes of any kind, or cowboy boots will be permitted.
3. Also, ladies should wear small, modest jewelry if they choose to wear any. Hoop earrings and clunky bracelets and necklaces are not acceptable.
4. Caps MUST be level when the student is holding up her head. They cannot be perched on the back of the head or angled to the side. Bobby pins are suggested to hold it in place.

Graduation Dress Code for Male Students:

1. White collared shirt with a dark tie.
2. Black or navy dress pants
3. Dark shoes and socks
 - a. NO flip flops, house shoes, slippers, athletic shoes of any kind, or cowboy boots will be permitted.
4. Caps MUST be level when the student is holding up his head. They cannot be perched on the back of the head or angled to the side. Bobby pins are suggested to hold it in place.