

COMMENCEMENT 2021

March 15, 2021

Dear Graduate and Family,

Commencement is a time to celebrate, and we are pleased to announce that we are planning for live, in-person Spring 2021 commencement celebrations to be held on May 14, 2021, at Harris Field on the Lewis-Clark State College campus.

In consistent fashion, we will comply with state and local public health guidelines and restrictions. Safety protocols will be in place and are outlined below. You will be notified of any changes as early as possible through immediate notification methods such as LCMail, LC Facebook, and the commencement website at www.lcsc.edu/graduation.

We are holding **three ceremonies**, with graduates participating in the ceremony that corresponds to the major and division from which they are receiving their degree. **Graduates:** The deadline for letting us know if you will be walking in Commencement is April 1. Contact the Registrar's office to confirm your spot by calling 208-792-223 or by emailing registrar@lcsc.edu. A follow-up mailing with guest tickets will be sent to those who have confirmed their intent to participate in one of the ceremonies.

Graduates will be limited to four guests each, and this includes children in the group of four. Seating in the stadium is first come, first seated. Ushers will assist in seating to adhere to social distancing protocols. For those unable to attend, the ceremonies will be livestreamed, and the link will be on the commencement website.

We ask that you carefully read the information throughout this newsletter, so you are fully informed of the expectations for this year's commencement events.

Congratulations, Graduate, and congratulations, Family, on this important milestone! I look forward to seeing you on May 14th!

Cynthia Pemberton, Ed.D.

President

Sincerely,

The Three Ceremonies

- 9 AM Career & Technical Education (Technical & Industrial, Business Technology & Service)
- 12 PM School of Liberal Arts & Sciences
 (Natural Sciences & Mathematics, Humanities, Movement & Sport Sciences, and Social Sciences)
- 3 PM School of Professional Studies (Business, Nursing & Health Sciences, Teacher Education)

Graduates: Line up one (1) hour prior; meet on the lawn space between the Tennis Center, Activity Center West, and Sam Glenn Complex.

Family: Entrance and exit will be through the Main Gate of Harris Field.

Important Items to Know

- * Face coverings are required.
- * Four tickets only per graduate. Young children need a ticket. <u>Graduates must confirm participation</u> by April 1 in order to be mailed tickets for the event.
- * This is an <u>outdoor</u> event. Depending on weather conditions, bring a small umbrella.
- * Food and beverages are prohibited.
- * Guests are not allowed on the field and must remain in their seats in the stands.
- * Ushers will assist with entering, seating to ensure social distancing, and exiting the stands.

(turn over for more information)

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For the Graduate

- DEADLINE is April 1 to let us know you are walking in your ceremony. Contact the Registrar's Office at 208-792-2223 or registrar@lcsc.edu
- Be sure to check the graduation website on a regular basis. Updates will be made on the website: www.lcsc.edu/graduation
- **Each graduate will be issued four (4) tickets **only** for family and friends, including children, to sit together. Tickets will be mailed to those who have confirmed their participation in one of the ceremonies.
- There is NO GRADUATION REHEARSAL.
- Pick up honor cords at the Registrar's office between May 10-May 13.
- Line up one (1) hour prior to your ceremony: Meet on the lawn space between the Tennis Center, Activity Center West, and Sam Glenn Complex
- Wear sensible footwear (flat-soled shoes; no pointy heels), as you will be walking on soft ground (clay soil) that may be wet. This will also help keep the baseball field in good condition for the upcoming NAIA tournament!



For Everyone

- * Entrance/exit through the Main Gate of Harris Field.
- * Face coverings required.
- * Food and beverages prohibited.
- * Social distancing protocols will be followed.

Self-screening protocol (for day of commencement):

Within the last 72 hours, have you:

- 1. Had a fever or chills?
- 2. Had a persisting or new cough?
- 3. Experienced shortness of breath or had difficulty breathing?
- 4. Experienced a new loss of taste or smell?
- 5. Had other symptoms of ill health not associated with a known pre-existing condition such as allergies (e.g., sore throat, body aches, fatigue, headache, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, congestion/runny nose)?
- 6. Had close contact with someone who has a current confirmed case of COVID-19 or has symptoms of an illness?

If YES to any of these questions, please do NOT attend this event, and, instead, seek medical attention.

Parking

To park in the 6th Street lots east of campus, you must enter from 9th or 10th avenue, as 6th Street will be closed from 11th Avenue north to 10th Avenue. The 11th avenue parking lot southwest of campus will be available as well.

Ceremonies will be livestreamed on Commencement Day – May 14

Visit www.lcsc.edu/graduation for the livestream link

We are able to hold this outdoor event because we have put in place reasonable physical safeguards relative to the COVID-19 virus. However, an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. While on College property, you agree to follow all posted rules and verbal instructions from College employees, and you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.

Thank you for your cooperation in making this a joyous, memorable occasion!