2018 GRADUATION INFORMATION

Graduates and Families,

Our 2018 Graduation Ceremony is almost here!

DATE: Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 3 p.m.

LOCATION: Comerica Theatre

ADDRESS: 400 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85003

Please review the following information about the ceremony, which includes directions to Comerica Theatre, an area map, a list of local hotels and restaurants, frequently asked questions and helpful post-graduation information.

All graduates must arrive between 11 a.m - 12:15 p.m. to check in. Cap and gown distribution will also take place during this time for students who have not already recieved these items. A rehearsal and final review of event details by our staff will begin at 12:15 p.m. for all graduates that are participating in the ceremony. Please arrive at the scheduled time to ensure that we can rehearse and begin the ceremony on time.

Guests will be seated once the theater doors are opened at approximately 2 p.m. The ceremony will begin promptly at 3 p.m., so we ask that all guests find their seats prior to this time.

If you have any questions regarding the ceremony, please email us at *graduation@primaveratech.org* or contact *your guidance counselor*.

We look forward to celebrating this special occasion with you—what an accomplishment!

Sincerely,

Primavera Faculty and Staff

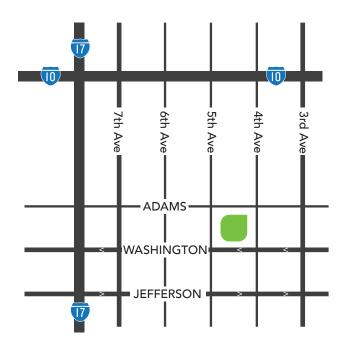




DIRECTIONS

COMERICA THEATRE

400 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85003 comericatheater.com



Directions from Interstate 17:

EXIT on Jefferson St.
EAST on Jefferson St.
NORTH on 3rd Ave
WEST on Washington St.
PARKING on street, garages, aboveground lots

Directions from Interstate 10:

EXIT on 7th St.

SOUTH on 7th St.

WEST on Washington St.

PARKING on street, garages, aboveground lots





FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE CEREMONY BE HELD?

The ceremony will be held on Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 3 p.m. at Comerica Theater, which is located on 400 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85003. For more information about the ceremony, visit our GRADUATION PAGE.

HOW DO I GET MY CAP, GOWN AND TASSEL?

Graduation caps, gowns and tassels can be purchased through Primavera for \$40 through July 1. Items can be picked up at the Primavera office in Chandler, or shipped to the students home for an additional \$5 fee.

WHEN WILL GRADUATES NEED TO ARRIVE?

Check-in for graduates takes place from 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Students who have not received their caps and gowns may pick up these items during check-in. Rehearsal will begin promptly at 12:15 p.m. For more information on this topic, visit our 2018 CEREMONY_PAGE.

HOW LONG IS THE CEREMONY?

The ceremony is expected to last two hours.

WHERE SHOULD I PARK?

Guest are encouraged to find parking at one of the many garages, meterd street parking or aboveground lots in the arena. For more information, see the attached map.

WHERE IS CHECK IN?

Students will check in at the main entrance/lobby area of the theater.

WHAT TIME WILL DOORS BE OPEN TO GUESTS?

Doors will open at 2 p.m., and the ceremony will begin promptly at 3 p.m.

HOW MANY STUDENTS WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE CEREMONY?

Approximately 350 graduates are expected to participate in the 2018 graduation ceremony.

WHAT SHOULD I WEAR?

Graduates should wear business casual attire.

Mens' suggested attire: slacks, a button-down shirt, dress shoes and optional tie.

Ladies' suggested attire: dress, slacks or skirt with a dress shirt and dress shoes. Please note that heels must be under three inches, and dresses or skirts must at least reach your thumbs when your arms are completely extended down to your side.

WILL I RECEIVE MY DIPLOMA AT THE CEREMONY?

If you have RSVP'd and completed all graduation requirements (credits and standardized testing), you will be able to pick up your diploma at the conclusion of the ceremony. To make sure you have met the graduation requirements, please contact your guidance counselor.

ARE NAMES READ IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER?

No, names are read as graduates cross the stage based on the order in which they are seated.

ARE THERE PLACES TO EAT NEAR THE VENUE?

Yes, to see a list of nearby restaurants, please view the Food and Dining Section on page five.

If you have any other questions regarding the graduation ceremony, please email graduation@primaveratech.org or contact your guidance counselor.





HOTELS

HYATT REGENCY DOWNTOWN PHOENIX

122 N. 2nd St. | Phoenix, AZ 85004 602.252.1234 | phoenix.hyatt.com

SHERATON PHOENIX DOWNTOWN HOTEL

340 N. 3rd St. | Phoenix, Arizona 85004 602.262.2500 | sheratonphoenixdownton.com

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS DOWNTOWN

620 N. 6th St. | Phoenix, AZ 85004 602.452.2020 | ihg.com

SPRINGHILL SUITES PHOENIX DOWNTOWN

802 E. Van Buren St. | Phoenix, Arizona 85006 602.307.9929 | marriott.com

DOUBLETREE SUITES BY HILTON - PHOENIX

320 N. 44th St. | Phoenix, Arizona 85008 602.225.0500 | doubletree3.hilton.com

EMBASSY SUITES BY HILTON PHOENIX AIRPORT

2333 E Thomas Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85016 (602) 957-1910 | embassysuites3.hilton.com

HILTON GARDEN INN - PHOENIX MIDTOWN

4000 N Central Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85012 (602) 279-9811 | hiltongardeninn3.hilton.com

HAMPTON INN - MIDTOWN

160 W Catalina Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85013 (602) 200-0990 | hamptoninn3.hilton.com

BUDGET SUITES

611 W Indian School Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85013 (602) 277-3400 | budgetsuites.com

BEST WESTERN PHOENIX I-17 METROCENTER INN

8101 N Black Canyon Hwy, Phoenix, AZ 85021 (602) 864-6233 | book.bestwestern.com

RESIDENCE INN PHOENIX

8242 N Black Canyon Hwy, Phoenix, AZ 85051 (602) 864-1900 | marriott.com

SHOPPING

CHRISTOWN SPECTRUM MALL

1703 W Bethany Home Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85015

TARGET

4515 E Thomas Rd Phoenix, AZ 85018

COSTCO

450 E. Oak St. Phoenix, AZ 85008

CITYSCAPE

1 E. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85004



WALMART SUPERCENTER

3721 E. Thomas Rd Phoenix, AZ 85018

ARIZONA CENTER

455 N. 3rd St. Phoenix, AZ 85004

SCOTTSDALE FASHION SQUARE MALL

7014 E. Camelback Rd #590 Scottsdale, AZ 85251

CVS

50 W. Jefferson St. Phoenix, AZ 85003

2471 N. Arizona Ave Chandler, AZ 85225 ChoosePrimavera.com PHONE 480.456.6678

TOLL FREE 877.877.4628

FAX 480.355.2100



FOOD & DINING

EL TACO TOTE \$

3464 W Camelback Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85017 Mexican | tacotote.com

GRAND AVENUE PIZZA COMPANY \$\$

1031 Grand Ave, Phoenix, AZ 850 Pizza, Pasta, Subs | <u>grandavenuepizzacompany.com</u>

SING HIGH CAFE \$\$

27 W. Madison St., Phoenix, AZ 85003 Chinese

SUBWAY \$

144 N. Central Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85004 Sandwiches

CHIPOTLE \$

11 W. Washington St., #140 Phoenix, AZ 85003 Mexican

OLIVE GARDEN \$\$\$

2710 W. North Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85021 Italian | <u>olivegarden.com</u>

AJ'S MONGOLIAN BBQ \$\$

Metro Center Mall, 9620 N Metro Pkwy W, Phoenix, AZ 85051 Mongolian | <u>ajsmongolianbbq-hub.com</u>

RED LOBSTER \$\$\$

2810 N. 75th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85035 Seafood | <u>redlobster.com</u>

ZOËS KITCHEN \$\$

521 W. McDowell Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85003 Mediterranean

SMASHBURGER \$

Camelback Colonnade, 1949 E Camelback Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85016 Hamburgers

CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN \$\$\$

2400 E. Camelback Rd., Ste. 112, Biltmore Fashion Park, Phoenix, AZ 85016
Pizza | cpk.com

5 & DINER \$\$

5220 N 16th St, Phoenix, AZ 85016 Retro American | <u>5anddiner.com</u>

ZIPPS SPORTS GRILL \$

364 Indian School Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85018 American | <u>zippssportsgrills.com</u>

TEXAS ROADHOUSE \$\$

Desert Sky Esplanade, 1616 N 75th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85035 Steakhouse

MACAYO'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT \$\$

3815 N. Central Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85012 Mexican

APPLEBEE'S \$\$

2651 N. 75th Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85035 American Grill | restaurants.applebees.com





POST-GRADUATION RESOURCES

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

What is it?

This free application is used by colleges to determine your eligibility for financial aid from the federal government, including grants, unsubsidized/subsidized student loans and work-study programs. The FAFSA is your first and most important step to getting the money you need to help you pay for college.

Who is it for?

Anyone! You don't need to be accepted at a school before you can submit your FAFSA. You only need to list the schools to which you have applied.

Where can I find my FAFSA?

Online applications are available at **fafsa.ed.gov**.

When should I apply?

ASAP. The sooner you submit your application, the more likely you are to receive financial aid. If you are planning to attend college during the 2018–2019 school year, the federal deadline for online applications is June 30, 2018. For more information on applying for FAFSA, head to ChoosePrimavera.com/FAFSA.

SUGGESTED SCHOLARSHIP WEBSITES

Bigfuture.Collegeboard.org

This not-for-profit membership organization is committed to **connecting students to college success and opportunity**. Find, apply, and enroll in a college that is right for you with this step-by-step guide to all things college, including grants and scholarships.

AZfoundation.org

Through the online system, students complete only one application and are matched with **up to 75 different scholarships** for which they qualify.

Fastweb.com

Proud to serve as **the premier online resource** when it comes to paying for school, this site has scholarships for every type of student, from the high school freshmen to the returning adult.

Petersons com

Visit this college search website to fund your post-secondary education—there's **more than \$8 billion** in scholarship information provided.





POST-GRADUATION RESOURCES

SUGGESTED SCHOLARSHIP WEBSITES (CONTINUED)

Zinch.com

With more than 2.5 million members, **\$2 billion in scholarships** and nearly 6,000 schools, this website helps you to connect with the scholarships that fit your student profile.

JOB SEARCH AND RESUME BUILDING TOOLS

Maricopa Skill Center (MSC)

Get the education and training you need through the Valley's leading workforce development center. Most programs can be completed in less than a year! Since 1962, MSC has offered a variety of certificates for careers in business, technology, health care, and trades. You will benefit from MSC's small class sizes, self-paced learning, and hands-on classrooms. The center is located at 1245 East Buckeye Road, Phoenix, AZ 85034. For more information, visit maricopaskillcenter.com or call 602.238.4300.

Arizona Career Information System (AzCIS)

Complete career planning exploration, research and goal-setting through this program. AzCIS will help Arizona high school students make better-informed career and school choices. This program is offered through the Arizona Department of Education's Career and Technical Education branch. Go to azcis.intocareers.org and log-in with username: primavera05 password: 4azcis02.

Job Search Websites (Jobing.com, Careerbuilder.com, Monster.com and Indeed.com)

Find employers who are looking for a job seeker just like you. These **job board communities and networks** can help you find work anywhere in the States while building your resume and online portfolio. From major corporations to small businesses, you have the opportunity to pursue a variety of workplaces and connect with other local job seekers.

Arizona Workforce Connections

Visit <u>azjobconnection.gov</u> to access available job postings and workforce events held statewide. There's a listing of job-seeker resources like career counseling, skill assestments, employee rights/laws, training programs, etc.

Linkedin

This social media channel is similar to Facebook, but for professional purposes. Create your online profile and start networking with your friends, colleagues, and family members. People from all over the world join this community.

More and more recruiters use **Linkedin.com** as a way to fill available positions at their company—you could be next!



