2023 GRADUATION INFORMATION

Graduates and Families,

Our 2023 Graduation Ceremony is almost here!

DATE:	Thursday, July 6, 2023
TIMES:	Ceremony Time: 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
LOCATION:	Arizona Financial Theatre
ADDRESS:	400 W. Washington St, Phoenix, AZ 85003

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

12 p.m. Check-In for the 2:00 p.m. Ceremony

Cap and gown distribution will also take place during this time for students who have not already picked up these items. A short rehearsal and final review of event details by our staff will begin *20 minutes* prior to the ceremony start time for all graduates that are participating in the ceremony.

Guests can enter and will be seated once the arena doors are opened *1 hour* before the ceremony start time. Detailed check-in instructions will be sent out to attending students the week of the ceremony.

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

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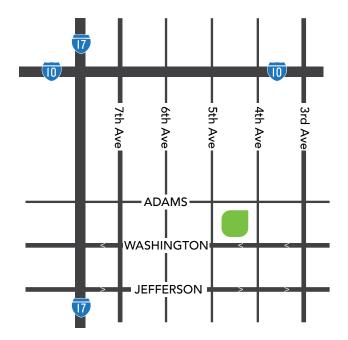
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DIRECTIONS

ARIZONA FINANCIAL THEATRE

400 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85003 arizonafederaltheatre.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



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE CEREMONY BE HELD?

The ceremony will be held on Thursday, July 6, 2023 at Arizona Financial Theatre, which is located at 400 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85003. For more information about the ceremony, visit our <u>GRADUATION PAGE</u>.

HOW DO I GET MY CAP, GOWN AND TASSEL?

Graduation caps, gowns and tassels can be purchased through Josten's directly, from now until May 31st. Ordering information is sent to all graduates when they complete their final courses with Primavera. Caps & gowns are on sale now.

Orders placed AFTER May 31st will be through Primavera directly, for \$50 through June 23rd. Items can be picked up at the Primavera office in Chandler.

WHEN WILL GRADUATES NEED TO ARRIVE?

Graduates will need to arrive at 12^{pm} to begin the check-in process on Graduation Day. Check-in will run from 12^{pm}-1^{pm} and all students MUST CHECK IN before being cleared to walk in the ceremony. Students who have not received their caps and gowns may pick up these items during check-in.

HOW LONG IS THE CEREMONY?

The ceremony is expected to take 2 –2.5 hours.

WHERE SHOULD I PARK?

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

WHERE IS CHECK IN?

Students will check in on the East side of the Arizona Financial Theatre. Student check-in will be marked with a-frame signage.

WHAT TIME WILL DOORS BE OPEN TO GUESTS?

Doors will open to guests 1 HOUR before the ceremony begins. At 1^{pm}, the main doors to the arena will open and parents/family/guests will be able to enter, check in, and take their seats.

HOW MANY STUDENTS WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE CEREMONY?

Approximately 450-500 graduates are expected to participate in the ceremony.

WHAT SHOULD I WEAR?

Graduates should wear business casual attire.

Men's' 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.

Students will be walking up and down some steps, so plan accordingly!

WILL I RECEIVE MY DIPLOMA AT THE CEREMONY?

No. This year all diplomas and diploma covers will be mailed out to graduates this year. If you have RSVP'd and completed all graduation requirements (credits and standardized testing), your diploma will be mailed out within the few weeks around the graduation 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. A-L will be seated on one half of the lower bowl and M-Z will be seated on the other half so parents/guests know "roughly" where graduates will be seated.

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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 **studentaid.gov**.

When should I apply?

ASAP. 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 2022-2023 school year, the federal deadline for online applications is June 30, 2023. For more information on applying for FAFSA, head to <u>PrimaveraOnline.com/FAFSA</u>.

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.



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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 **gatewaycc.edu** 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 the information below:

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 **azjobconnection.gov** 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!



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