



2014 Commencement Frequently Asked Questions

When is the Commencement Ceremony? Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. (check-in at 3:00 p.m.)

Where will it be held? Sleep Train Amphitheatre (formerly Cricket Wireless) located at 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, CA 91911

How do students register to participate? Students who have met degree/certificate requirements must submit a petition by the petition deadline through the Evaluations office for fall 2013, spring 2014 or summer 2014. They will then receive an e-mail mid-March to mid-April with instructions on registering for the ceremony. The e-mail will also include a flyer with all pertinent details on the ceremony including attire, check-in, honors information and GradFest dates.

How do I get a cap/gown and what is the cost? Faculty and staff can order through the campus Bookstore, and students who have registered for the ceremony attend GradFest where they will purchase their cap/gown for approximately \$36.50 plus tax.

Can anyone participate? Everyone is welcome to attend the ceremony. Faculty can participate in the procession by ordering a cap/gown from the campus Bookstore. All others are welcome to sit in guest seating.

Are tickets issued? There are no tickets issued and seating is open.

Is there a maximum number of guests that participating students can bring? Students are welcome to invite as many family members and friends as they'd like as the venue provides a large amount of seating.

When will students know if they've met all requirements and will receive a diploma/certificate? Fall graduates will typically be notified in April 2014, Spring 2013 graduates will be notified in August 2014 and summer graduates will be notified in October 2014.

Will students be walking in ceremony before knowing if they have met requirements? For the fall 2013 graduates most will be aware if they've met the requirements before the ceremony, however spring and summer 2014 candidates will not be notified until after the ceremony as their grades/courses need to be evaluated to determine if they've met the requirements. This can't be done until all courses are completed.

For more information on the ceremony, please e-mail gradinfo@swccd.edu.

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