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**Guest Information:**

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- Guests will not need a ticket in order to attend the ceremony
- If the Walter Sillers Coliseum reaches maximum capacity, additional guests will not be allowed to enter the ceremony. The Commencement live stream can be viewed in real-time for relatives and friends of graduates who are unable to attend and will also be available to watch at a later time.
  - [Live Stream Link](#)
- Guests who need wheelchair access or easy-access seating will have access to limited seating on the floor of the coliseum. Easy-access seating is reserved for guests who have trouble navigating stairs. Each guest who needs easy access seating will be allowed to have one companion sit with them. Upon entry to the lobby, let the ushers know if you need access to this seating.
- **There is limited handicap parking available at the Coliseum.** If you have difficulty finding handicapped parking, please ask the University police for assistance.
- Families and guests are urged to arrive at the doors of the Coliseum at least 45 minutes in advance of the start of the ceremony. Please allow adequate time for parking, walking, and seating in the Coliseum.
- **Guests are only allowed to bring a water bottle, a clear bag, umbrellas (in case of rain), and a camera inside the Coliseum. No balloons are allowed in the Coliseum.**
- Be respectful. Please express your excitement in ways that will not prevent others from enjoying the ceremony or hearing the names of graduates when announced. Please don't applaud as the other graduates and their guests will not be able to hear their names being read.
- Adherence to the University's tobacco and alcohol policy is required.
- Guests are expected to act in a civilized manner. If they cause disruption before or during the ceremony, they will be warned the first time. If they continue the behavior, they will be escorted out of the building by security and will not be allowed to return to the ceremony.
- No children under the age of 6 will be allowed in the ceremony unless they are the child of the graduating student.
- Cell phones are to be turned off or **on silent**.
- We ask that guests remain at their seats until the platform party, faculty, and graduates have recessed. Guests in handicap and easy-access seating will be supported in departing the auditorium after the recession.

Delta State University is proud of our students' accomplishments and success. We appreciate your cooperation in celebrating a major milestone in both the students' and their families' lives. We want everyone to share and enjoy a memorable and dignified commencement ceremony.

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