

April 13, 2022

Dear IMSA Senior Parents and Guardians:

First, we would like to congratulate you for having a student who is about to graduate from IMSA. Your support over the years has been instrumental in your student reaching this milestone. As we prepare for June 4, graduation day for the class of 2022, we want to share some important information. The Graduation Ceremony will begin promptly at 3:30 pm at Northern Illinois University Convocation Center in DeKalb, Illinois - <http://www.convocenter.niu.edu/convo/info/directions.shtml>.

CAP AND GOWN

Caps/gowns & announcements (if ordered) were distributed the week before Spring Break, but if you need additional items, please contact Herff Jones directly at 815-756-4743 or via e-mail, custserv@herffjonesil.com. We still have several caps/gowns in our office, so please ensure that your student picks up their items as soon as possible. Keep in mind that the students may keep their cap, gown, and tassel.

TICKETS

Tickets for the ceremony will be mailed out by May 13 to each graduate's home address listed in PowerSchool. Each family will receive 10 General Admission tickets – graduates will be riding the buses and do not need a ticket.

OBLIGATIONS

If your student has any obligations, i.e. books, charges for lost keys, etc., they must resolve these matters, *prior* to graduation. You can check to see if your student(s) has any obligations by logging into your parent PowerSchool account and clicking on MYSCHOOLBUCKS. All balances should show \$0 if not, pay off any balance(s). If you have any questions or concerns regarding any obligation, please contact Ann Donohue via email at adonohue@imsa.edu or call (630)907-5031. Please use chrome as your browser and clear your cache to avoid any possible problems signing into your parent PowerSchool account.

RESIDENTIAL HALL CHECK OUT INFORMATION

Seniors may begin moving out of the halls on May 30, and must be completely moved out no later than noon on Saturday, June 4, 2022. All RC's will be available for Senior Move Out at 8:00 am on June 4. We will be providing brunch to graduates and families in the Cafeteria from 10:30 am – 12:00 pm that day.

TIMELINE – FRIDAY – June 3, 2022

9:00 am – 11:30 am

Rehearsal – Graduates line up in the West Gym then process to the Main Gym
A composite class picture will be taken directly following rehearsal

6:30 pm – 11:00 pm –

Senior Banquet at the Embassy Suites in Naperville

TIMELINE – SATURDAY – JUNE 4, 2022

Noon

Deadline for checking out of Residence Halls

10:30 am – 12:00 pm –

Brunch in the Cafeteria

12:45 pm – 1:15 pm –

Graduates line up in the West Gym

1:15 pm – 1:45 pm –

Graduates board buses to NIU

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm –

Doors open at NIU for general seating – NIU event staff will be checking all bags –CLEAR BAG POLICY (NIU Attachments are included in this communication)

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm –

Graduates arrive at NIU, line up for Graduation Ceremony

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm –

Graduation Ceremony begins

Due to current restrictions, students will process directly outside after the ceremony; there will be no opportunity to take pictures inside the venue. Students depart NIU with parent/guardians, as there will be no transportation available back to IMSA.

GRADUATION CEREMONY RECORDING

IMSA will offer a free digital download of the ceremony – link information to be posted at a later date.

INDIVIDUAL PICTURES

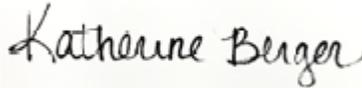
Visibility is great in the venue. Please note that families will not be allowed to stand and take pictures from the track or walking area; pictures should be taken from your seats. We have however arranged with GradImages® to have professional photographers take a picture of every graduate the moment he/she receives his/her diploma. The proofs of these photos will be in color, and these proofs will be mailed free of charge to every student's home within a week after graduation. The proofs will also be e-mailed 2 to 3 days after the ceremony to every graduate for whom we have an e-mail address, and can be viewed at <https://www.gradimages.com/>

We look forward to seeing you all at a wonderful celebration of the Class of 2022!

Sincerely,



Dr. Comfort Akwaji-Anderson
Principal and Chief Academic Officer



Katherine Berger
Chief Student Affairs Officer

Attachments