

Congratulations, Graduates! CLASS OF 2022



GRADUATION EVENTS

GRADUATION PRACTICE & SENIOR LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022 | 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

- Students should report to the Commons promptly at 10:00 AM. We will practice the line up on the athletic field and run through the program twice.
- Students who have earned honors cords will pick them up in the Commons
- Senior Luncheon, hosted by Parent Association, featuring Chef Grillmasters Spillane and Kaminski, will take place after rehearsal on the DePaul Prep South Lawn & picnic tables.

Rain Date*: Thursday, May 19 at 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

*Will be announced on Tuesday, May 17

UNIFORM DONATION DROP-OFF:

Parent Association will be collecting gently used, clean uniform pieces with the updated branding to be donated back to DePaul Prep. All items must have the embroidered updated DePaul Prep logo and insignia on them. Please bring any donation items to drop off on Wednesday, May 18 including pants, skirts, polos, sweaters, zip-ups, and gym uniforms.

BACCALAUREATE MASS (BLUE TICKETS)

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2022 | 7:00 - 8:15 PM

ST. VINCENT de PAUL PARISH | 1010 W. WEBSTER AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60614

- Graduates arrive in **graduation gowns** with academic cords no later than 6:15 PM.
- Students should report to the Rectory at 1010 W. Webster.
- Graduates will be seated on the altar with general seating for ticked family and friends.

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY (WHITE TICKETS)

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022 | 10:00 AM

DEPAUL UNIVERSITY SULLIVAN CENTER ATRIUM | 2323 N. SHEFFIELD AVE, CHICAGO, IL

GRADUATE INFORMATION

- Students will report to the DePaul University Student Center atrium, 2250 N. Sheffield, at the corner of Belden and Sheffield.
- Arrive in caps & graduation gowns with academic cords no later than 9:00 AM.
- Upon arrival, students should locate their walking partner. A monitored room will be available for students to leave personal belongings.
- Immediately following the ceremony, graduates will process back to the Student Center to pick up their diplomas and belongings.
- Students should meet their families outside.

FAMILY INFORMATION

- Attendees must have their physical tickets to attend graduation. No exceptions. Doors open at 9:00 AM. Please plan accordingly.
- Please enter through doors #1 - 6.
- Attendees may sit on either side of the bleachers.
- The Ceremony will begin promptly at 10:00 AM. **All guests that arrive late will be directed to a designated seating area for late arrivals so as not to disrupt the graduation ceremony.**
- The Commencement Ceremony will run approximately one hour. Immediately following, students will process to the DePaul University Student Center to pick up their diplomas. Parents should plan to meet their graduate outside.

GRADUATION FAST FACTS

TICKETS

Each graduate has received four (4) tickets to the Baccalaureate Mass and ten (10) tickets to the Commencement Ceremony. Tickets are required for each person upon entrance to each ceremony, no exceptions.

ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN GRADUATION EVENTS

- All seniors may participate in all events
- Students must earn a passing grade in all classes (minimum grade of D-)
- Students must have taken all required credits
- Student's tuition must be fully paid
- Students must be in good behavioral standing
- Students must have completed all required 20 service hours

DRESS CODE

LADIES: modest slacks/pants & blouse, skirts & dresses must not be more than two inches above the knee, no facial piercings, manageable heels (No more than two inches high; wedges encouraged) or dress flats

GENTLEMEN: button-down dress shirt, tie, slacks/pants, belt, dress shoes, clean-shaven, no facial piercings. A blazer/coat is optional.

Graduation Practice & Senior Luncheon: school-appropriate summer BBQ attire (no tanks, flip-flops or midriff tops)

Baccalaureate Mass on Friday: follow dress code, **graduation gown** (no cap) and academic cords

Commencement Ceremony on Saturday: follow dress code, **cap and gown**, and academic cords

PROHIBITED ITEMS

Please note that noisemakers, balloons, large bags, confetti, beach balls, etc. will not be permitted at any graduation event.

LIVE STREAMING

The commencement ceremony will be live-streamed. The link will be shared with families next week.

UNIFORM DONATION COLLECTION ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

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PARKING FOR GRADUATION & BACCALAUREATE MASS AT DEPAUL UNIVERSITY

DePaul University is located conveniently off the Fullerton El stop of the Red/Brown/Purple lines, and from the #74 Fullerton bus line. If driving, families are encouraged to park in the lot on Sheffield, 2331 N. Sheffield, between Fullerton and Belden, and the structure on Clifton between Fullerton and Belden. *Garage parking is free for both events with the voucher attached in this email. Vouchers can be shown on your phone.*

Free and metered street parking is limited, and be mindful of streets zoned for residential parking only. Please note there is a DePaul University sporting event at Cacciatore Stadium, near the Sullivan Center, that may impact street parking in the area. Additionally, there is a Cubs game at 1:20 PM that afternoon.

PHOTOS

- Lifetouch, our official commencement photographer, will have portraits available online at Events.lifetouch.com/DePaulCollegePrep approximately ten days after the ceremony. Celebrate your achievement with these professional portraits.
- Families are asked not to leave their seats to take photos during the events. There will be ample opportunities for photos with the graduates after the ceremonies.

YEARBOOK

2021-22 yearbooks will be available in the fall for distribution. Alumni will be contacted to pick up their yearbooks at a later date around Thanksgiving time.