

Graduating Seniors and Families:

Congratulations on entering your senior year! High school graduation is a milestone moment for students and families, and we are happy to host your school at the UNF Arena. We ask that graduating seniors and their families please review this guide as you prepare for this special occasion.

Parking & Arrival

Commencement ceremonies take place at the UNF Arena, Building 34. Directional signage around campus will guide guests to Lot 18, the event parking lot. Parking is complimentary. Guests with disabilities should follow signage for disability parking. See QR code for details.

The doors to the Arena will open to guests up to an hour and a half before the ceremony to accommodate guest volume. *Your school's graduation ticket is required for entry.* Concessions and flower sales will be available within the Arena.

Tip: Please allow time for parking, walking to the Arena, and the security checkpoint.

Security and Bag Policy

All guests will proceed through a mag-gate security screening (includes clear bag-check and wand) before gaining entrance to the ceremony. Guests with bags that do not meet the policy will not be permitted access into the Arena. No weapons of any type will be permitted. Outside food and drink is not permitted. Please have your graduation ticket in hand. See QR code for details.

Seating

Guest seating is first-come, first-serve. There are special seating areas for guests with mobility issues or in wheelchairs. An usher can direct your party to these areas. No guests are permitted in the students' seating area at any time. Guests will not be seated during the processional; late arrivals must wait until the procession ends.

During the Ceremony

Photographs. Photographs are encouraged and limited to from either your seat or the two locations in the upper level of the Arena that are designated for photography.

Remain seated. For the safety of all guests, aisles and walkways should remain clear. Guests are prohibited from standing in aisles or walkways. Event staff will ask standing guests to take their seats. Non-compliant guests will be asked to leave. Guests and families are not permitted on the main floor or stage where graduates and school parties are seated. Guests should remain seated through the processional (graduates exiting) before uniting with their graduate in the plaza outside.

General Etiquette. Out of respect for your graduating senior and the enjoyment of all families and guests, please silence cell phones; remain seated for the entire ceremony; hold applause and refrain from loud celebrations until the conclusion of the ceremony, so that all families can hear their graduate's name announced.

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families and guests:

