

**Northwest Mississippi Community College**  
**Guest Instructions for Commencement Ceremonies**  
**May 17, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.**  
**Howard Coliseum**

- ❖ Commencement Exercises will begin promptly at the scheduled time. Doors to the coliseum will open 1 hour prior. Guests should arrive at least 30 minutes prior.
- ❖ Graduates are not permitted to wear corsages or carry personal items into the ceremony. Please assist them by holding these items until after the ceremony.
- ❖ Balloons, signs, and noise makers are not permitted within the coliseum. Please hold these for your graduates until after the ceremony.
- ❖ Guests should stand for both the processional and recessional parts of the ceremony as well as the national anthem.
- ❖ Guest requiring special assistance should enter the coliseum at the north entrance (the south entrance does not have accessible access).
- ❖ Please hold applause for your graduate until all of the graduates have been presented. This will allow those guests around you to hear their graduate's name called. Your assistance in holding applause for individual graduates will greatly aid us in properly recognizing each graduate participating in the Commencement ceremony.
- ❖ Northwest Mississippi Community College is pleased to announce a live webcast of our Commencement Exercises via our YouTube channel. Visit our channel at [www.youtube.com/NorthwestCC](http://www.youtube.com/NorthwestCC) to view the livestream May 17.

Please share this information with family and friends who are unable to attend the ceremony. Northwest is very proud of your graduate's accomplishments and are excited to share this celebration with as many virtual guests as possible!