



Greetings GPTC Graduate:

Congratulations! As a reminder, Commencement is scheduled for **Saturday, May 19, 2018**. Commencement will begin at 9:00 a.m., and will take place at the James Hallford Stadium. Priority seating (VIP ticket seating) will begin at 7:30 a.m. Stadium doors will open for all guests at 8:00 a.m.

We have highlighted some helpful information below regarding the 2018 Commencement exercises for your convenience.

<p>James E. Hallford Stadium Address</p>	<p>3789 Memorial College Avenue Clarkston, Georgia 30021</p>
<p>Cap and Gown Pick up</p>	<p>Pre-ordered regalia can be picked up at the following locations:</p> <p>DeKalb Campus: May 1, 2018 DeKalb Campus Building A, Lobby 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. 495 North Indian Creek Drive, Clarkston, GA 30021</p> <p>Newton Campus: May 2, 2018 Newton Campus Building A, Auditorium 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. 16200 Alcovy Road, Covington, GA 30014</p> <p>All regalia that was not picked up on either May 1st or May 2nd will be located in the Office of Student Activities (DeKalb campus).</p> <p>The Office of Student Activities is located on the DeKalb campus, and is in between Buildings B and C. Regalia pick up hours are Monday – Thursday from 8:00am – 6:00pm.</p> <p>Students <u>must</u> attend the mandatory graduation orientation prior to picking up his or her cap and gown.</p> <p>In addition to picking up your regalia on this date, you will also have the opportunity to purchase Commencement announcements for \$1 (maximum 10 per graduate). A representative from the Registrar’s Office will be available to verify your credential selection, program and status and answer any additional questions you may have regarding Commencement.</p>

<p>Where should <u>Graduates</u> report on the day of commencement?</p>	<p>Graduates are asked to report directly to the DeKalb Campus Conference Center. The Conference Center is located at 495 North Indian Creek Drive, Clarkston, GA 30021.</p> <p><u>Graduates should plan to arrive by 7:30 a.m.</u> Graduates will check in according to their school and complete address cards (for photographer).</p>
<p>Where should I <u>park</u>?</p>	<p>Faculty, Staff, Students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DeKalb Campus Conference Center parking lot (parking is free). <p>Guests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lot 5 (parking is free) or any Visitor/Staff designated parking.
<p>Photography Information</p> <p>OFFICIAL GPTC COMMENCEMENT PHOTOGRAPHERS</p>	<p>Village Photographers</p> <p>445 Opelika Road – Auburn, AL 36831-2550 Toll Free: 1-800-444-7427 FAX 334-821-6166 marketing@villagephotographers.com</p> <p>GRADUATE ADDRESSES</p> <p>Addresses will be obtained from graduates via information cards in the graduate holding room on the day of graduation.</p>
<p>Accessibility</p>	<p>Drop off for guests with limited mobility, or who are using mobility devices has been designated. Please note that the College does not provide wheelchairs.</p> <p>Guests who have difficulty walking may be dropped off in front of the stadium at Lot 8 (see map). Drivers must proceed to Lot 5 or Visitor/Staff Parking for parking.</p> <p>Accessible parking is available in Lot 5 for those individuals who are mobility impaired and display a permit.</p>
<p>Emergency/ Severe Weather Plan</p>	<p>There will be emergency services on site for the duration of Commencement. The emergency services and personnel will be stationed next to the Parking Deck (see map).</p> <p>If Saturday's weather is deemed too unsafe to hold Commencement at the stadium, we will enact the severe weather plan. Refer to the www.gptc.edu website for more details.</p>

