



Commencement 2019

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Arrive 9:30 a.m. – Gym

What do I need to do when?

1. To attend Commencement, apply to graduate by **April 18, 2019** – selfservice.bhcc.edu
2. Sign-up to attend Commencement and order your Cap and Gown by **May 3, 2019** – Email

The Details

1. **Cap and Gown** – In your Commencement email you will fill out a short electronic form to order your Cap and Gown. Once ordered, you will pick up your Cap and Gown at the College's Bookstore. Please visit their website at <https://bhcc.bncollege.com/> for bookstore hours.
2. **Guest Tickets** – Every student participating in Commencement will receive 2 guest tickets for Commencement. They will be included with your Cap and Gown.

What Happens the Day of Commencement?

1. **9:30 a.m.** – Graduates line up in the Gym. Bring your Cap and Gown. No backpacks. Guests go directly to the Commencement Tent and gain entrance with their tickets.
2. **Name Card** – You will pick up your card at the check-in-table. This is the card you will hand to the reader to read your name.
3. **Line-up** – Associates degree (red/white or gold tassel) and Certificate programs (white tassel).
4. **Processional** – This is the walk into the Ceremony led by the Marshals. They will escort you to your seat or to walk across the stage where you will be presented with your diploma cover.
5. **Pictures** – A professional photographer will be taking pictures throughout the event including when you walk across the stage. Please remember to pause when you shake hands for your picture. The day of Commencement you will receive information to indicate if you want to order graduation pictures.
6. **Recessional** – This is the walk at the end of the ceremony that symbolizes a completion of your accomplishment and moving forward toward the future. The Marshals will lead you out of the Commencement tent after the Platform party and faculty.