



**IVY TECH**  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

ANDERSON

INFORMATION FOR 2023 GRADUATES  
**GUIDE TO GRADUATION**



This guide is designed for all students eligible for graduation from the Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters of the academic year. The Anderson campus holds one commencement per year in May. This year commencement is Saturday, May 13th, 2023.

**Please read this entire guide and share with your family to be prepared for graduation and the commencement ceremony.**



# ARE YOU READY TO GRADUATE?

To ensure a seamless experience in preparing for Graduation & Commencement follow these steps:

To be eligible for graduation at Ivy Tech students must:

- Attain a minimum grade point average of 2.00
- Complete at least 15 - degree credits
- Successfully complete required number of credits
- Satisfy all Ivy Tech financial obligations
- Satisfy all programs accreditation standards

## Step 1: Application for Graduation

When you enter the final semester prior to graduation, you must complete an Application for Graduation. Work with your academic or Faculty Advisor to confirm course requirements have been met. You can apply online through MyIvy by following these easy steps:

- Log into MyIvy
- Search for Apply to Graduate and click on the link
- Click on term selection (if curriculum does not automatically display)
- Choose "select a term" and click submit
- Choose "select curriculum" and click continue
- Follow the prompts to completion

*If you cannot apply to graduate online, call 765-643-7133 ext. 2029 to apply with Director of Advising, Shanese Pointer.*

# NEXT STEPS AFTER APPLICATION

## Step 2: Attend **GRAD FEST: Your Future is Bright Event**

All graduating students are encouraged to attend Grad Fest: Your Future is Bright event. At Grad Fest you will be able to apply for graduation (if you haven't already), confer your degree with an advisor, pick up your cords/ stoles, order your cap & gown (if you haven't already) meet with 4-year transfer partners, complete your alumni exit survey, decorate your cap, and grab a bite to eat!

## **RSVP ON IVY LIFE**

Access IVY LIFE through 

If you are unable to attend Grad Fest, you'll need to reach out to Director of Advising, Shanese Pointer, at 765-643-7133 ext. 2029 or via email at [spointer4@ivytech.edu](mailto:spointer4@ivytech.edu) to confer your degree and prepare for graduation.

**MARCH 23RD**  
**11 A.M. - 4 P.M.**



# WHAT TO WEAR & HOW TO GET IT

## Step 3: Purchase Your Cap, Gown, and Tassel

Graduation apparel is available for order/purchase through the campus bookstore or online for convenient home delivery.

### At the bookstore:

Cap, gown, tassel packages range from \$44-46

Tassels are approximately \$6 and vary based on degree type

*\*Prices subject to change*

Associate Degree - **GREEN** tassel

Technical Certificate - **WHITE** tassel

Certificate - **GRAY** tassel

*Please Note: If you are verified for an associate degree AND a certificate or technical certificate, your tassel should represent the highest credential.*

Items ordered to be shipped to your home will arrive approximately a week prior to commencement. Items purchased in the bookstore are available for pick-up in store, but limited quantity is available. Ordering online is the preferred method.

Bookstore Hours:

M- Tr 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Friday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Closed Weekends

765-643-7133 ext. 2027



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Order Cap & Gown  
(Home Delivery)

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Pre-order Announcements,  
Invitations, & Rings

# WHAT TO WEAR CONT.

## Cords & Stoles

Special cords and stoles will be provided or offered in the methods found below. These cords and stoles are Ivy Tech approved.

- Summa Cum Laude: Students graduating with GPA of 4.0 are awarded a **Double Gold Cord**, available for pickup at Grad Fest
- Magna Cum Laude: Students graduating with GPA of 3.75 to 3.999 GPA are awarded a **Single Gold Cord**, available for pickup at Grad Fest
- Cum Laude: Students graduating with a GPA of 3.5 to 3.749 GPA are awarded a **Single Gold Cord**, available for pickup at Grad Fest
- Veterans: Veteran students are awarded a **Red, White, and Blue Cord**, available for pickup at Grad Fest
- High School Students: Cords will be available for pick up at check-in at commencement, or pick up through your high school counselor. High School students are awarded a **Green and White Cord**
- Phi Theta Kappa Honors Society members: College-approved PTK cords and stoles are available for pick up from Cindy Oliva or at Grad Fest. Cords are **Blue and Gold**

**For any cords/stoles that are not picked up at Grad Fest, you will need to stop by campus and pick-up from Director of Advising, Shanese Pointer. 765-643-7133 ext. 2029**



# COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION

## Commencement Ceremony Information Guide



Date: Saturday, May 13th

Location: The Paramount Theatre  
1124 Meridian St. Anderson, IN 46016

Ceremony: 6 p.m.

Graduate check-in: 5 p.m.

Doors open for guests: 5:30 p.m.

**Students and Guests RSVP here**  
**DEADLINE APRIL 28TH TO HAVE YOUR**  
**NAME ADDED TO COMMENCEMENT BOOKLET**

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# COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION

## Commencement Details

### Students:

- Arrive at 5 p.m. to check-in and prepare for graduate line-up
- Please leave personal belongings with family members before entering building
- Graduates will enter South West main entrance on Meridian St. and follow the signage to graduate check-in

### Family & Guest Information:

- Doors open for guest seating at 5:30 p.m.
- Parking options-
  - **Parking Garage** on 12th & Main
  - **YMCA** - 28 W. 12th St
  - **Anderson Library** - 111 E. 12th St
- Ceremony begins at 6 p.m.
- Guests should enter the building through the main doors
- located on Meridian St.

Link to preorder items to pick up at graduation -

<https://www.thecommcementgroup.com/ivytechanderson/>

Flowers/ T-shirts/ Stuffed Bears/ Flower Leis and more items available for pre-order & pick-up at Graduation or purchase right at graduation to celebrate your grad!



# A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHANCELLOR

Dear Class of 2023,

Congratulations! On behalf of all of us here at Ivy Tech Community College, we are so proud of you and honored to celebrate your academic journey.

No matter how you arrived at Ivy Tech, you are the next generation of Ivy Tech success stories. Whether you're continuing your education at a 4-year university, entering the workforce, or taking other steps to advance your career; the education you received here serves as your launching pad for success. We truly believe you are ready to propel toward a better future.

As you finish up your last semester, there are a few required steps you need to complete to be prepared for the biggest celebration of your success, Commencement. We are excited to recognize you, and we will be cheering for you as you cross the finish line, stay strong Anderson Panthers!

Sincerely,  
Dr. Mia D. Johnson, Chancellor



*Congrats!*