



EMILY GRIFFITH TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Graduation Ceremony 2026 Guide

Everything you need to know to
celebrate your accomplishment!



SCAN TO VIEW GRADUATION WEBPAGE

DATE, TIME, LOCATION

DATE: Friday, July 17, 2026

TIME: 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Ceremony will begin on time.

LOCATION: DU Magness Arena (inside of Ritchie Center)
2250 E. Jewell Ave., Denver, CO 80208

GUESTS: For the best seating and parking, we encourage you to arrive early. **Traffic and parking become very congested as there are very few entry points to the parking lots.** Please see parking section (pg. 2) for more info.

GRADUATE CHECK-IN @ 8:30 AM

LOCATION: The Cable Center
2000 S. Buchtel Blvd., Denver, CO 80210

Please arrive early for check-in. No later than 8:30 AM. Only graduates allowed in this area.

There is a small parking lot and roundabout directly outside of The Cable Center for graduate drop-off (if you are not parking).

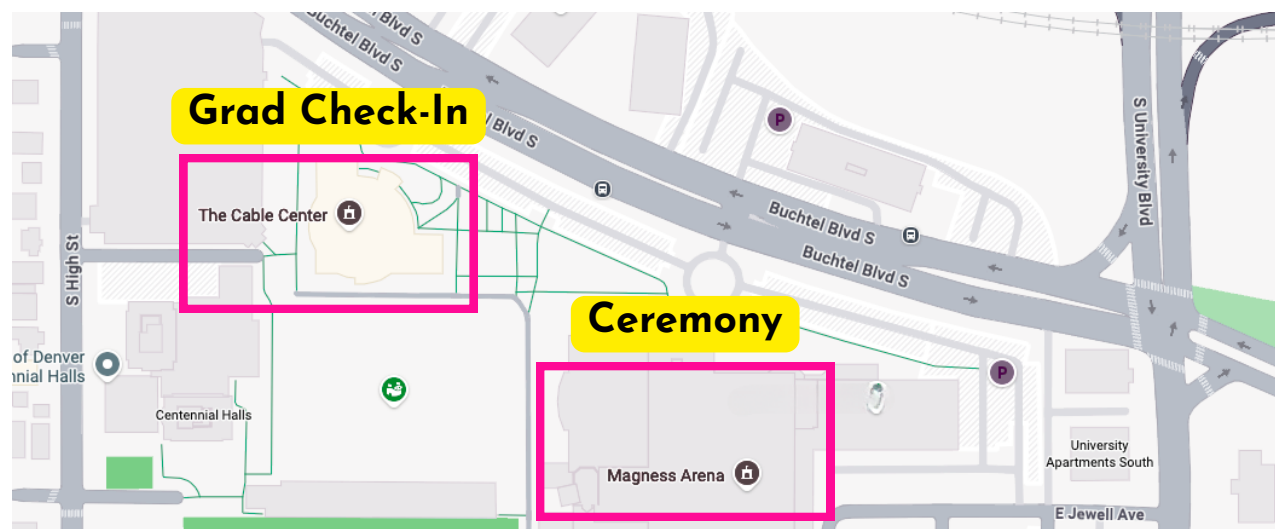
Check-in is IMPORTANT! This is where you will fill out your name card. **KEEP THIS CARD WITH YOU.** This is how you will be announced when walking across the stage. Once you have gotten your name card, find your program/instructor and stay together as a group until the ceremony begins.

You will not be able to return to this area after the ceremony. Do not leave any items.

*Bathrooms will be available.

**Professional photographer will be on-site taking candid photos before the ceremony.

***Limited caps and gowns will be available for those who could not attend cap and gown pickup.



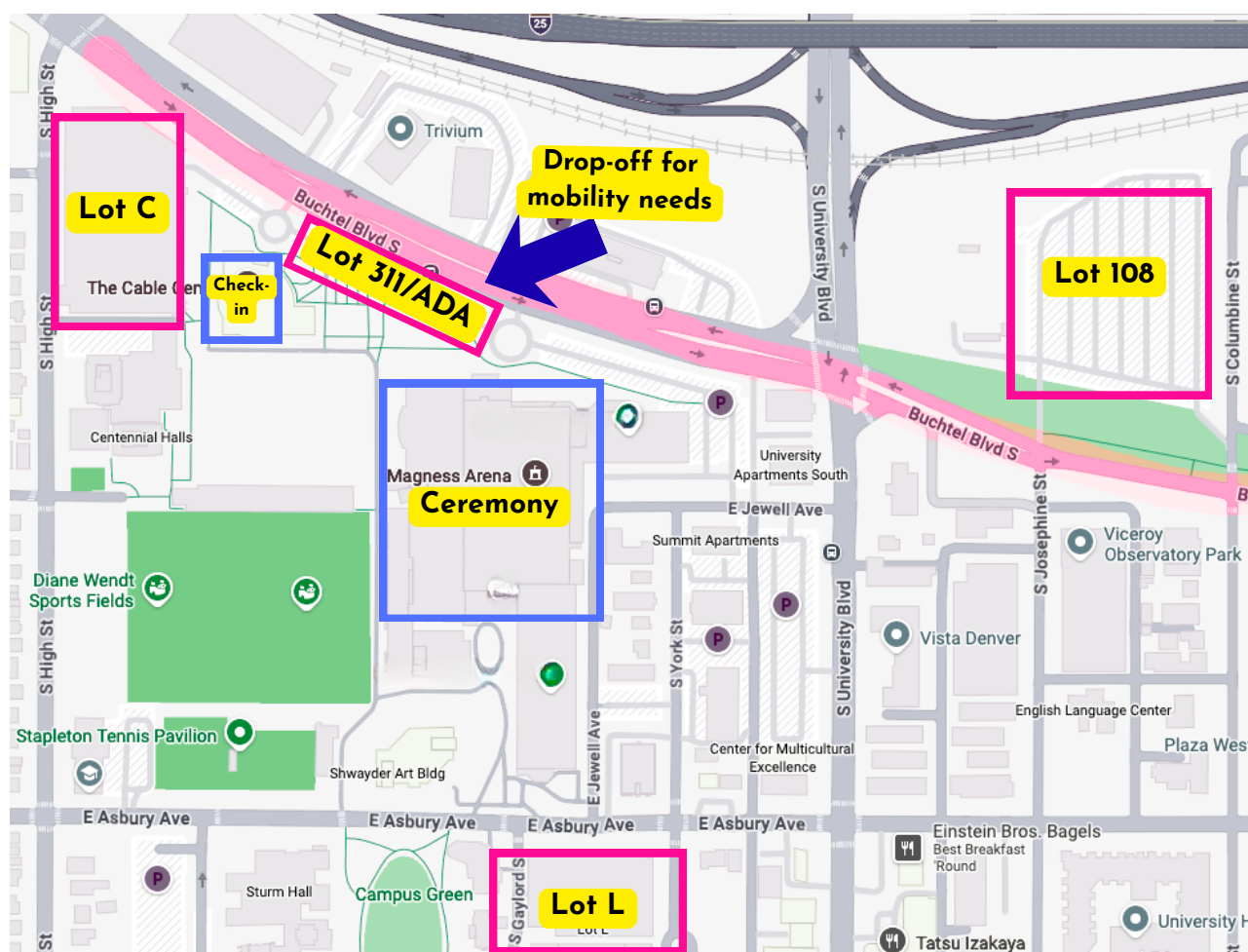
PARKING

FREE parking will be available on a first-come, first served basis in these lots:

- Lot C
- Lot 108
- Lot L
- Lot 311 - *ADA/mobility needs parking lot*

Metered, street parking (not free) will be available if you cannot locate a spot in the listed lots.

The **drop-off entrance for guests with mobility needs** is on the north side of the Ritchie Center, off of Buchtel Blvd. See map below.



DO NOT PARK IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS

- RTD Parking Lot
- Apartment/Condominium and Residential Parking on Buchtel Blvd, University Blvd and E Jewell Avenue
- University Park Tower Condominiums do not have public parking available. Parking in this complex is subject to the violator being ticketed and/or towed.
- Permitted Only Parking in neighborhood streets—please note time limits, zones, etc.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR GUESTS & GRADS

Doors will open ONE hour prior to the beginning of the ceremony. Please plan to arrive EARLY for the scheduled graduation ceremony. Traffic and parking become very congested as there are very few entry points to our parking lots.

The ceremony will be indoors. All guest seating is general admission.

Light concessions will be available (water, non-alcoholic beverages, snacks). No outside food or drink is permitted.

Prohibited items -

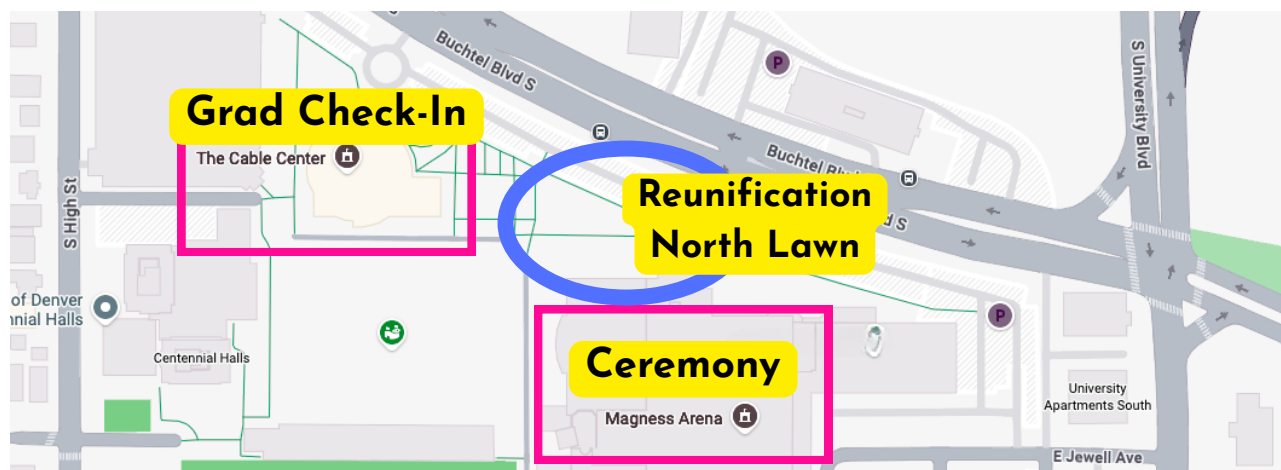
- Artificial noise makers including instruments, air horns, cow bells, whistles, vuvuzelas, etc.
- Animals (excluding service animals)
- Balloons, balls, banners, bottles and cans
- Candles or open flames
- Confetti
- Coolers
- Derogatory/defamatory clothing
- Firearms or weapons of any kind
- Fireworks, flags, flyers and handouts, frisbees, and other projectiles
- Glitter, laser pens or laser products
- Outside food and beverage
- Poles and sticks, selfie sticks
- Projectiles, signs
- Ski or non-medical masks (medical masks are permitted)
- Tents, umbrellas, anything that would interfere with other guest's ability to see, hear, and/or enjoy the ceremony

The ceremony will be recorded - You will receive an email with a link to purchase the recording 2-3 weeks after the ceremony.

ADA seating/Mobility assistance - The drop-off entrance for guests with mobility needs is on the north side of the Ritchie Center, off of Buchtel Blvd. Guests with mobility needs can then take the elevator up to the main floor of the Ritchie Center. The ADA sections in Magness Arena for guests are Sections 4, 8, 14, and 18.

Ushers and guidance - there will be ushers to guide guests to and within the arena.

Reunification area - after the ceremony, guests may reunite with their graduates on the North Lawn by the Ritchie Center (blue circle area below).



CLEAR BAG POLICY

Clear bag policy - All guests will be subject to security screening, including metal detector screening and inspection of medically necessary bags or other items carried in.

- Guests must use:
 - Clear bags measuring no larger than 12" x 6" x 12" inches and/or
 - Wristlets, clutches, or wallets measuring no larger than 4.5 x 6.5 inches.
- Guests who require a bag for medical equipment or a diaper bag are permitted to bring a bag no larger than 12 in. x 6 in. x 12 in. All guests entering with medical or diaper bags are subject to visual screening upon entry.
- Management reserves the right to handle each occurrence on a case-by-case basis. All permitted bags, jackets and guests are subject to search upon entering the Ritchie Center.
- Graduates, we encourage you not to bring bags or items as you will not have a place to store them during the ceremony.

PERMITTED



CLEAR TOTE
NO LARGER THAN
12" X 6" X 12"



**PLASTIC ZIP
TOP BAG**
NO LARGER THAN
1 GALLON



**SMALL
CLUTCH PURSE**
NO LARGER THAN 5" X 7"



**MEDICAL
ITEMS**
RELATED TO A MEDICAL
CONDITION AND
CHILDCARE BAG

NOT PERMITTED



PURSE



BACKPACK



CLEAR BACKPACK



**TINTED
PLASTIC BAG**



TOTE BAG



MESH BAG



FANNY PACK

FAQS

How many guests can I bring? Do they need tickets?

There is no limit to number of guests. No, they do not need tickets.

How long is the ceremony? Do I need to stay the entire time?

The ceremony runs about 90 minutes. Out of respect for all graduates and their families, we ask that everyone remain until the end.

Is the ceremony mandatory?

No.

Can I decorate my cap?

Yes, decorating caps is allowed as long as the decorations are consistent with the Student Code of Conduct. Nothing profane or obscene.

Is there a dress code?

Dress is comfortable, business casual attire. Comfortable shoes are not required, but recommended as graduates will be walking and standing during the ceremony.

Is the certificate/diploma mailed?

Your certificate/diploma will be mailed to the address on record once final grades are verified.

When will I receive pictures?

The professional photographer will be on site before the ceremony where graduates are staging. You will receive an email with a link to the photos 2-3 weeks after the ceremony. You will also be able to find the link on the graduation page (emilygriffith.edu/emily-griffith-graduation-2026)

Still have unanswered questions?

Email graduationquestions@emilygriffith.edu

CEREMONY PROGRAM

Processional of Graduates

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Student Speakers

Introductions

Presentation of Graduates in this order -

Adult High School Diploma+, High School Equivalency/GED

Trades, Business and Technology Programs

- Accounting
- Automotive Collision Repair
- Automotive Service
- Computer Networking
- HVAC
- Water Quality Management
- Welding 1 & 2

Health Science Programs

- Dental Administrative Assistant
- Dental Assisting
- Medical Assisting
- Nurse Assisting
- Practical Nursing
- Qualified Behavioral Health Assistant

Hospitality, Services and Multimedia Programs

- Barbering
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts
- Esthetician
- Massage Therapy
- Multimedia and Video Production

Certification of Class

Recessional of Graduates

Exit arena

CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATE! IMPORTANT LINKS.

Certificate & Transcript:

Once you've completed all required courses in your program of study, you will receive your certificate and transcript within 2 weeks after your instructor posts the final grades.

You may order a **duplicate certificate**. Scan the QR code for info.



Mailing Address:

To make sure that you will receive your certificate and transcript, please confirm and update your address in the student portal.



View List of Graduate Names & Pictures:

To view graduates by name and for updates, check the graduation page.

You will receive an email with a link to order pictures once they are available (approximately 2-3 weeks after graduation).



Looking for Work?

Contact the Career Services team for resume and job application support.



Already Working?

Already working in your field? Fill out the form to tell us about your job.



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