

CLASS OF 2025

COMMENCEMENT

Friday
MAY 9

LAWRENCEBURG
Event Center

**91 Walnut St.
LAWRENCEBURG, IN**



YOU MUST APPLY FOR GRADUATION!!!

Graduation applications for Spring and Summer are due by March 15. Any late applications will be processed, but we cannot guarantee that your name will be listed in the program.

**GRADUATES PLEASE ARRIVE BY 5:30 PM.
COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY BEGINS AT 6:00 PM.**

DIRECTIONS

Lawrenceburg Event Center is located at 91 Walnut St., directly off US 50. There will be plenty of parking across the street in the parking garage. Graduates will be directed to convene in a designated space prior to the ceremony.

GUESTS

Please use the Main Entrance to the Event Center and go directly to the guest seating area.

HOW DO I GET MY CAP AND GOWN?

Purchase your cap/gown by April 7 online at: herff.ly/ivytech

The cap and gown cost, with tassel, is \$58.70 plus tax.

You may shop graduation packages or simply choose the cap and gown tab at the top of the page for the minimum order. The cap/gown/tassel is required for graduation.

Order now through April 7 with standard shipping cost.

Final Deadline: Order online by April 17 with expedited shipping cost.

Your cap and gown will be shipped from Herff Jones to your selected address within 3 weeks. Shipping and handling are not included in the above pricing.

PLEASE READ BOTH SIDES OF THIS FLYER FOR DETAILS

PHOTOGRAPHS

Grad Images is the professional photographer taking photographs of the graduates as they walk across the stage. Another photo will be taken by Grad Images as a close-up shot with the graduate and their diploma. The photographer will also be available immediately after the ceremony for additional photographs. Grad Images will email proofs to the graduate. Proofs can be viewed online at www.gradimages.com.

WHAT SHOULD I WEAR?

The following are some suggestions:

Your shoes and neckline stand out from the gown, so compliment it with comfortable dress shoes, slacks, shirt, or blouse. A solid color dress, skirt or pant outfit also works well. Wearing a jacket under the gown is not recommended, as it could be too hot and bulky. Ties are optional. You will want to choose an outfit that especially makes the neckline of your gown look nice for pictures. SMILE!

Please press your gown. We will not have an iron on-site for this purpose. We will not have a secure place for items like purses during the ceremony; please, either don't bring one or give it to a family member or friend to hold for you during the ceremony.

WHERE WILL I PUT ON MY CAP AND GOWN?

Students will assemble in a designated location at the Event Center. There is no private dressing area other than the restrooms. Experience has proven that the restrooms will be crowded and busy. Tassels go on the right side of your cap. The cap should be adjusted as near to parallel with the ground as possible (like a plate or book on your head).

HOW WILL I KNOW WHERE TO LINE UP? HOW WILL MY NAME BE ANNOUNCED?

Upon arrival, students will proceed to a designated area in the Event Center. There will be a check-in table where you will receive a card with your name, degree, program, and your line-up order. Please review the information with the assistant at the table. If any of the information is incorrect, the assistant will prepare a new card for you. If the pronunciation of your name is unusual or difficult, please have the assistant write it phonetically on the card. **YOU MUST KEEP THE CARD AND CARRY IT WITH YOU ONTO THE STAGE.**

SPECIAL NEEDS

If you have special needs requests, please contact Brandon Wernert at bwernert@ivytech.edu for arrangements in advance of the ceremony.

HOW WILL I GET MY DIPLOMA?

At the appropriate time, ushers will direct the graduates to stand **ONE ROW AT A TIME**. Please do not carry your program on stage; you should carry only your name card to the stage. As you ascend the stage, you will hand your card to the individual at the corner of the stage, who will announce your name. You will proceed across the stage where the Chancellor will present you with a diploma cover. You will shake hands with the Chancellor and a photographer will take your picture with him. You will also shake hands with other members of the stage party. The photographer will take another photo of you then proceed back to your seat and remain standing until your entire row has returned. An usher will direct your entire row to be seated.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

After all the graduates have returned and been seated, you will be directed to stand as a group for the official conferring of degrees. Then the Class of 2025 will be presented, at which time you will change your tassel from the right to the left side of your cap. After some closing remarks, the Chancellor will indicate that the ceremony has concluded. Music will begin, and the graduates by row will leave the floor. A professional photographer will be available for additional photos.

WHAT ABOUT ACADEMIC HONOR CORDS?

Honor cords are awarded to graduates who have earned a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher at the end of the Fall 2024 semester. Honor cords will be distributed with cards at the check in tables. If you will not be attending the ceremony, honor cords will be in the Lawrenceburg Enrollment Center after May 12.

WHAT OTHER REGALIA CAN I WEAR?

Members of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society may wear a stole and medallion. Purchase PTK regalia at ptk.org. Contact Laurie Brandt lbrandt1@ivytech.edu or Shae Hall shall271@ivytech.edu for details.

DIPLOMAS

All diplomas are mailed to the address provided on the graduation application. December graduates will receive their diplomas by mid-February. May graduates will receive their diplomas by mid-June. August graduates will receive their diplomas by mid-September.

ALUMNI SURVEY

Ivy+ Career Link, Ivy Tech's student and alumni Career Development Hub is eager to support you. Please complete their quick survey on our Commencement website at Lawrenceburg/Batesville Graduation Info