

Congratulations, Class of 2023

COMMENCEMENT

Friday, May 26, 2023

ORACLE PARK
24 Willie Mays Plaza, San Francisco

GRADUATING STUDENTS

Graduating students need to be dressed in full SF State regalia to participate in the procession. Graduates must enter by 5:15 p.m. from the Marina Gate Entrance.

All graduating students will walk through a magnetometer as they enter. For speed, we suggest you have your gown open. If the device detects something on a graduate, the graduate will be checked with a handheld wand and if needed there will be further security follow up. All bags will be checked.

Faculty Marshals will direct graduating students on how to enter the stadium during the procession and how to proceed to the diploma platform.

Graduating students must carry their belongings during the diploma procession. Travel light and only bring what you can comfortably carry across the diploma platform.

GradImages® will be available on-site to capture your big day.

GUEST TICKETS

Each graduating student participating in Commencement is entitled to up to seven (7) guest tickets. You need one ticket for every person entering Oracle Park with the exception of children younger than 2, who do not need a ticket.

Please note that replacement tickets will not be issued if your allotment is lost or destroyed. **SF State prohibits the direct or indirect sale or auction of Commencement tickets.**

If you need more than seven (7) tickets, you may be able to obtain them from fellow graduating students who are participating in the ceremony but will not be using their full allotment. The Commencement Office does not have extra tickets for distribution.

TRANSPORTATION

Visit commencement.sfsu.edu/transportation for a full list of public transportation and parking options.

GATOR GRAD ZONE

Graduates: Get to the Gator Grad Zone, located in Anchor Plaza upstairs at Oracle Park and enjoy the DJ and the view prior to your procession. Be sure to pre-order your flowers and shirts from The Commencement Group at thecommentgroup.com/sfsu/

TIMELINE

3:30 p.m.

Doors open to graduating students and guests (rain or shine). Graduating students enter at the Marina Gate Entrance and will be staged in the Gator Grad Zone.

- Guests may enter at the Willie Mays Plaza, Lefty O'Doul Plaza or Second Street entrances.
- Concessions are open throughout Oracle Park, including the graduate staging area.

5:15 p.m.

Marina Gate closes. Graduating students must be assembled in the staging area (accessible by the Marina Gate Entrance). Any graduating student who is not inside the Gator Grad Zone by 5:15 p.m. will not be able to take part in the procession. After 5:15 p.m., enter the park through any guest entrance and ask an attendant to direct you to the graduate seating area in the Lower Box section.

5:30 p.m.

Graduating student procession begins.

6:30-9:30 p.m. *estimated*

Ceremony begins. Concludes with a fireworks show.

REGALIA RETURN

All rental regalia needs to be dropped off in return receptacles **at Oracle Park exits on May 26** or **dropped off/mailed to bookstore by Friday, June 2** during business hours. Non-return fee is \$300 (purchased regalia price).

ACCESSIBILITY

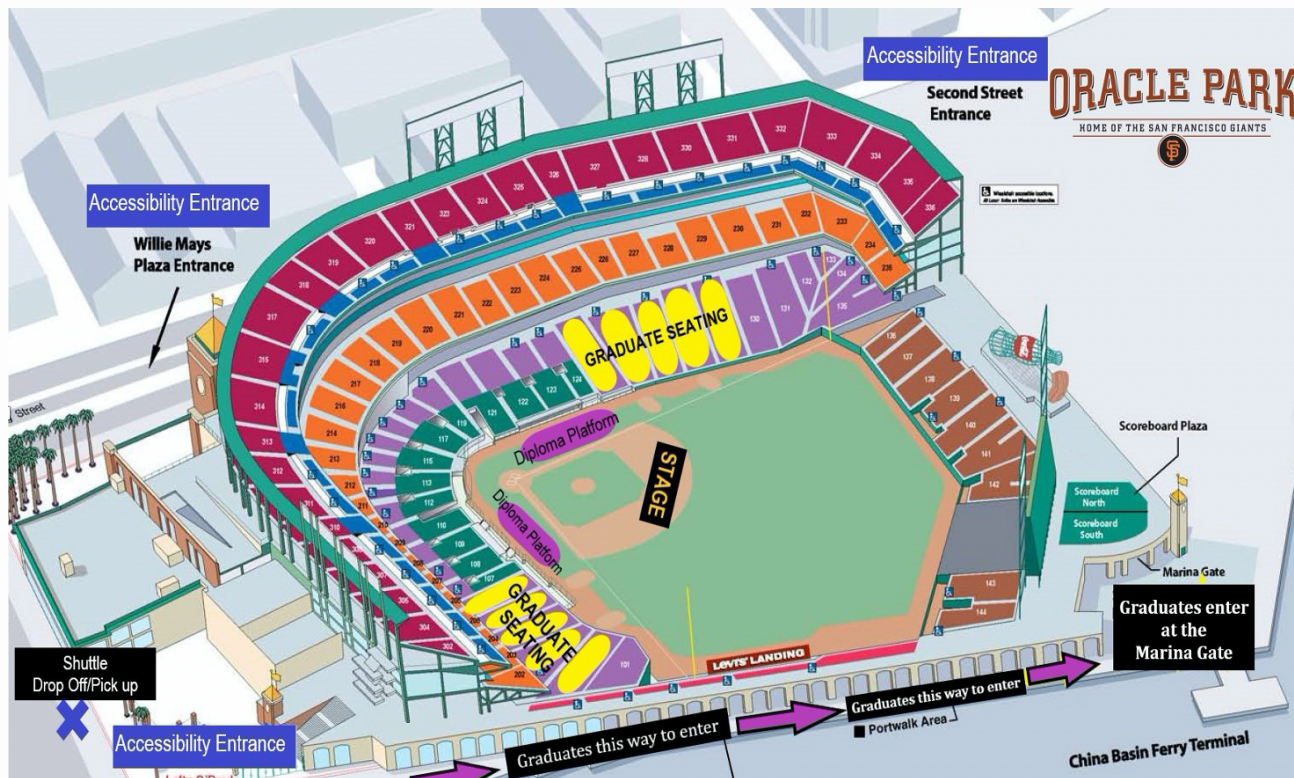
SF State is committed to providing every guest, including those with vision, hearing, mobility or other disabilities, with a comfortable and enjoyable experience. Oracle Park is an accessible event space.

Guests and graduating students with disabilities who use wheelchairs, walkers or other mobility devices, or those who cannot climb stadium stairs, require a mobility orientation, ASL interpretation, Real-Time Captioning or an Assistive Listening Device (ALD), may request accommodations. Visit commencement.sfsu.edu/accessibility for full details.

A link to a live stream of the event will be available at commencement.sfsu.edu.

VENUE RULES The following ballpark rules will be enforced:

- Guests or graduating students who enter the playing field, or who throw (or attempt to throw) objects in the stands or onto the field, are subject to ejection and criminal prosecution. You will also be held liable for any fines and/or damage.
- No alcohol (this includes non-alcoholic beer and wine) or illegal drugs may be brought into Oracle Park. Anyone found drinking under the legal age, using illegal drugs, or breaking any other laws, will be subject to immediate ejection and criminal prosecution. Any guest perceived to be in an intoxicated or impaired state may be denied admission to the park. Alcohol will not be available for purchase at this event.
- Oracle Park is a smoke-free ballpark. Electronic smoking and smoking by vaporization are included in this “smoke-free” designation and are prohibited.
- For safety reasons, Oracle Park does not allow in and out privileges.
- Sealed plastic bottles and soft-sided juice containers containing non-alcoholic beverages are allowed. All unsealed containers will be subject to inspection and may be confiscated. Glass and metal cans are not permitted.
- Items intended for sale or trade may not be brought onto Oracle Park property, including the main parking lot, without a permit or license. Air horns, beach balls and signs that obstruct the view of others are prohibited.
- Large bags or containers measuring over 16”x16”x8” are not allowed into the ballpark. All permitted bags, including purses, briefcases and diaper bags (smaller than 16”x16”x8”) will be searched before entering the park.
- All guests will walk through a magnetometer as they enter. If the device detects something on a guest, the guest will be checked with a handheld wand, and if needed there will be further security follow up. Bags will be checked.



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