

2020 SCCPSS Graduation Schedule Released: Enhanced Security Protocols to be Implemented



NOTE TO REPORTERS, EDITORS AND PRODUCERS:

Please find with this message information from the Savannah-Chatham County Public School System.

SCCPSS ADVISORY:

SCCPSS Graduation Schedules are now available for the Class of 2020. For the first time, the District will utilize two venues during Graduation Week. In addition, ceremonies will take place Monday through Thursday, rather than Tuesday through Friday as in years past. Ceremonies on Monday, May 18, 2020, will be held in the Johnny Mercer Theater at the Savannah Civic Center. Ceremonies Tuesday – Thursday, May 19 – 21, 2020, will be held in the Civic Center Arena.

In an effort to expand security protocols and enhance safety initiatives across the district, new screening procedures have been implemented for all district functions, including graduation exercises. The new security protocols are for the benefit of our students, staff and all attendees, and to keep pace with evolving best practices at public gatherings around the country.

Screening areas will be set at the entrances to the Savannah Civic Center. Bags will be searched and those entering will be screened using metal detectors. If necessary, additional screening may be conducted. Clear bags will be required as well. Each person is allowed one (1) clear plastic bag and one (1) small clutch. Size requirements and exceptions are attached below. Because of these additional safety procedures, we encourage those attending graduation ceremonies to arrive early to allow extra time before entrance to the facility. Allowing extra time is especially important as doors will close **ten minutes prior to each ceremony** and no further guests will be admitted. If you arrive after the doors have closed, there will be overflow viewing areas provided for attendees to watch the ceremony. **ALL attendees must have a ticket to enter the venue.**

We appreciate your cooperation and continued support in our work to ensure everyone has a safe and enjoyable time at our district graduation ceremonies.