

Dear Graduate,

Congratulations! We at Delta College celebrate our most important responsibility and greatest accomplishment – You. Soon, you'll no longer be a student. All of your hard work will have paid off. You'll have achieved a significant goal – You'll be a college graduate.

Remember to take a moment and pay tribute to the family and friends who – through love, guidance and support – have helped you succeed.

As a Delta graduate, you're following more than 50,000 people who have walked the halls of Delta College and received their degrees in the Pioneer Gymnasium. They are teachers, business leaders, health care professionals, lawyers, philanthropists, elected officials and even college presidents. They live throughout the Great Lakes Bay Region, the state of Michigan, the country and around the world. Delta graduates are everywhere, making a difference in their communities, just like you will.

On behalf of the Delta College Board of Trustees, faculty and staff, I again congratulate you on your achievement and look forward to seeing you graduate on April 27.

Sincerely,



Jean Goodnow, Ph.D.
President

This is Your Commencement

One of the most memorable moments in your life will be receiving your Associate's Degree or Certificate from Delta College. Celebrate this achievement by attending Commencement, which is scheduled for Friday, April 27, 2012, at 6 pm.

Sometimes students are unaware of the significance of attending commencement. Relatives and friends take particular pride in seeing you achieve this goal. Plan now to give your family and friends the special occasion of seeing you graduate.

Caps and Gowns

The Delta College Bookstore serves as the distribution agent for commencement apparel and announcements. Delta College graduates will wear environmentally friendly caps and gowns produced of dark green Renew Fabric, which is made from post-consumer plastic bottles. Approximately 27 recycled plastic bottles are used to create one standard size gown.

Commencement apparel and announcements will be available for purchase in the Bookstore from April 1 through April 27 with extended hours on April 27 until 5:45pm. The price of the cap, gown, and tassel set is \$37.05 (including sales tax). Announcements are 80¢ each (including sales tax). Students planning to attend the April 27 graduation ceremony must sign the Commencement Participation Roster in the Bookstore so their name will be called during the ceremony. **If you have received a cap and gown from another source, please be sure to sign the participation roster in the Bookstore.**

Delta College diploma frames, ranging in price from \$65.00 to \$105.00, are available in the Bookstore. Additional style choices can be viewed and ordered directly from Framing Success using their website at www.framingsuccess.com.

Academic Procedures

1. Caps are worn with the tops in a horizontal position, not tilted. Tassels are worn on the LEFT SIDE.
2. Men wear caps throughout the program except during the Invocation. When in doubt, follow the example of the Academic Community on the platform.
3. Women do not remove caps during the ceremony.
4. Valuables should be left with relatives or friends.
5. All graduates must wear caps and gowns.

Commencement Ceremony

Commencement is Friday, April 27, 2012. Exercises will start promptly at 6 pm in Delta College's Pioneer Gymnasium. Guests will be admitted to the gymnasium through the EAST entrance beginning at 5 pm. Ask your guests to arrive before 5:45 pm, as often all seats are filled by that time.

The ceremony will be broadcast live and additional seating will be available in the Lecture Theater.

Commencement Procedures

Instructions will be included when you register on the Commencement Participation Roster in the bookstore, or purchase your cap/gown.

Graduates must check-in at the EAST Main Hallway, by the K-Wing, between 5 pm and 5:15 pm for final instructions. At check-in you will be given a card with your name and highest degree/certificate to be read when you walk to the stage. If you are eligible, Honor Cords will be issued upon check-in (with a minimum cumulative 3.5 GPA). Programs will be placed on graduates seats in the gymnasium. Following the Commencement Recessional, graduates are encouraged to attend the Commencement Reception. Guests must remain seated until the academic procession has left the gymnasium.

Commencement Reception

The reception (with light refreshments) in the Commons immediately following Commencement is an opportunity for graduates to relax with friends and family. It is also an opportunity for the College Community to express their congratulations to the graduates.

Diplomas and Transcripts

Diplomas for graduates usually arrive two weeks after degree completion and are mailed to the address listed on the graduation application. Only students who have submitted an application for graduation at the Registrar's Office can expect a diploma or certificate. If you have NOT officially applied for graduation, do so immediately. Complimentary graduate copy transcripts will be included with your diploma/certificate. Additional transcripts must be requested from the Registrar's Office.

Employment Services

As a graduate of Delta College, you are entitled to use the following employment services at no charge:

- Access to job listings on the web for those registered with Student Employment Services
- Notification of job vacancies matching your qualifications
- Assistance with résumé development
- Lifetime use of Student Employment Services

Please note that soon you will be receiving the Delta College Graduate Follow-Up study in the mail. Please take time to complete the survey and return it to us. The information is particularly important in today's ever-changing job market. It guides students in their career choices and helps the College upgrade its class offerings, programs and services.

For more information, contact Employment Services at 989-686-9074.

Commencement Information

www.delta.edu/registrars-office/graduation

Phone Contacts

Questions about application for graduation

Call Records and Registration at 989-686-9303.

Questions about commencement

Call Student Services at 989-686-9681.

Questions about caps and gowns

Call the Bookstore at 989-686-9030.

All Phi Theta Kappa members:

If you are interested in a Phi Theta Kappa Stole or tassel for commencement, these can be ordered at www.recognitions.ptk.org.

Contact Jeff Sorrels at 989-686-9485 if you have questions.

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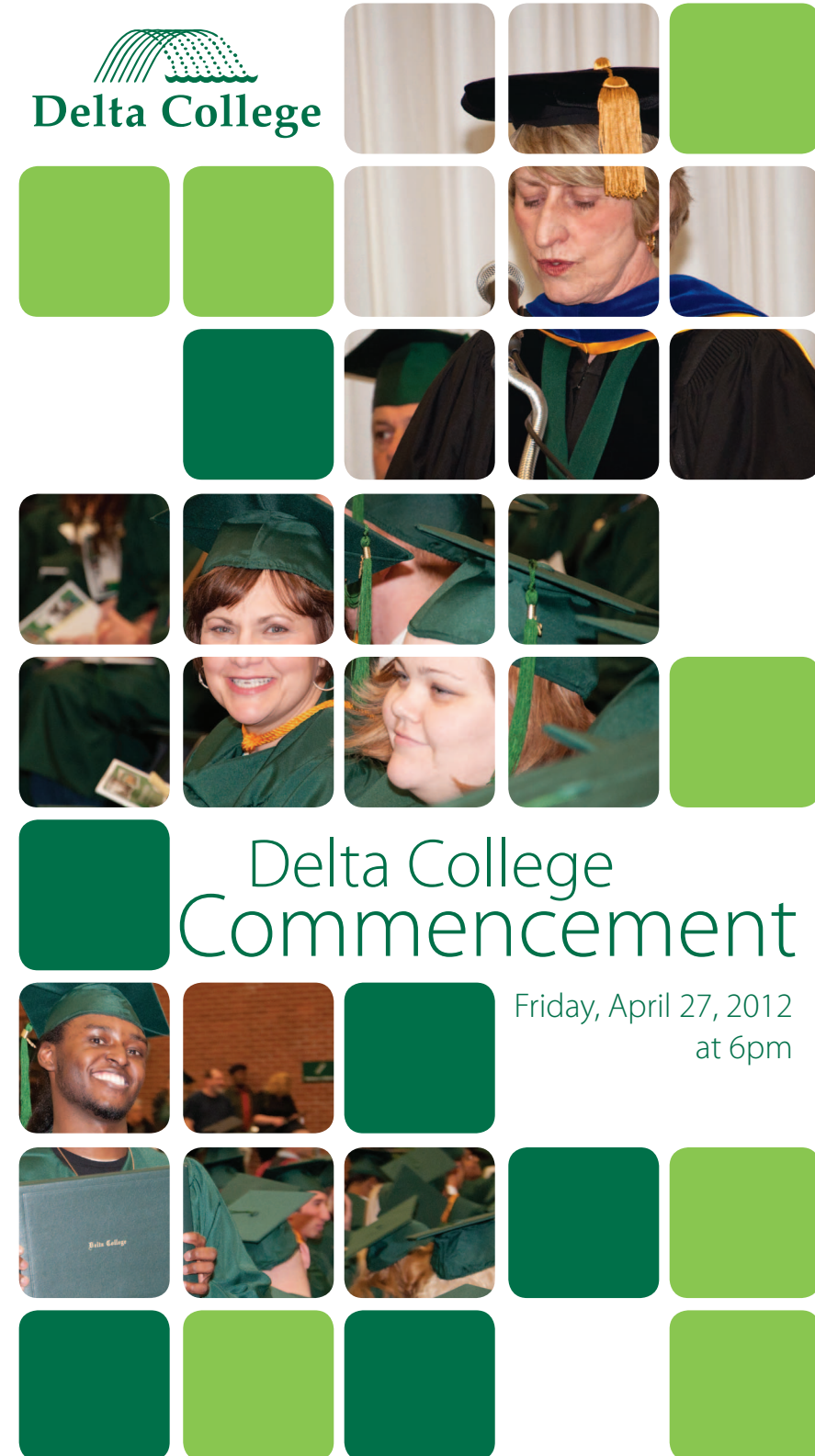
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Friday, April 27, 2012
at 6pm