



March 2, 2023

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**TO:** Spring 2023 BC Online Candidates for Graduation  
**FROM:** The Office of the Vice President of Academics and Provost

Congratulations! You are receiving this letter because you have submitted your application for graduation and are a candidate to graduate in the Spring 2023 Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 6, 2023. This includes students whose degrees were conferred in August 2022, December 2022 and the May 2023, and August 2023 candidates. As you make preparations to participate, please note the following information.

**ACADEMIC REGALIA, INVITATIONS, AND RINGS:**

It is the responsibility of the graduate to order regalia online and have it shipped to their address. Please note that the cost of regalia and standard shipping will be covered by the graduation fee. Orders should be placed now. **The website will be open through Sunday, March 5th.** Your regalia will ship to your address entered. You may call Mrs. Josie Riggs at 423.775.7236 or email her at [jwatson6273@bryan.edu](mailto:jwatson6273@bryan.edu) with your questions. **To place a regalia order, please visit the following website: <https://buildagrads.com/BryanCollegeOnline>.**

To order announcements and class rings, go directly to [www.balfour.com](http://www.balfour.com).

**COMMENCEMENT DAY SCHEDULE, Saturday, May 6, 2022** (Triangle Lawn on Bryan Hill)

<b>7:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Check in-</b> Mercer 1st floor Lobby
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Rehearsal</b> on The Triangle, weather permitting.
<b>8:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Robing</b>
<b>9:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Lineup</b>
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Processional begins</b>

**TICKETS:** In the event that the ceremony is held in Summers Gymnasium due to inclement weather, you will be issued a **limited number of tickets** for your guests. This number will be determined by the number of graduates walking per available seats and will not be calculated until grades have been posted. **These tickets will be electronic and available for reservation through Eventbrite the week of graduation in May if needed.** Overflow will be accommodated in the Latimer Student Center Dining Hall, Osborne, and Rudd Auditorium so that the ceremony may be viewed by closed-circuit TV on a big screen.

**LETTERS TO FAMILIES:** Please forward this letter to your families as it contains important graduation information they will need to receive. Commencement information will also be on the Bryan College website at [www.bryan.edu/academics/commencement](http://www.bryan.edu/academics/commencement).

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** Your out-of-town guests will need to make hotel reservations very early. Below are some of the options available in Dayton:

[Best Western](#) – 423.775.6560 (7835 Rhea County Hwy., Dayton, TN)

[Econo Lodge](#) - 423.664.0667 (8763 Rhea County Hwy., Dayton, TN)

[Holiday Inn Express](#) – 423.570.0080 (2650 Rhea County Hwy., Dayton, TN)

[Sleep Inn & Suites](#) – 423-693-0963 (4450 Rhea Co. Hwy., Dayton, TN 37321)

**VESPERS:** On the Friday evening of May 5th, there will be a student led Vespers program in Rudd Auditorium. This program is a special celebration of the culmination of the years invested in your lives with Bryan College Online. Begin now to invite your families and friends to join you for this special occasion. There will be a "cookies and ice cream punch" reception following the evening for everyone's enjoyment!

**QUESTIONS:** Please contact Carly McAuley at 423.775.7210 or [cmcauley1337@bryan.edu](mailto:cmcauley1337@bryan.edu).