Dear Ventura College Graduates,

Congratulations! Your hard work and dedication have paid off, and we are thrilled to announce the **Ventura College 2024 Graduation Ceremony**, set to ignite excitement on **Friday**, **May 17 at 10 a.m.** at the Ventura College Sportsplex Stadium!

**Location:** Ventura College Sportsplex Stadium **Address:** 4667 Telegraph Road Ventura, CA 93003 **Time:** 10 a.m. - Noon

## How to Apply for Graduation & Register for the Ceremony

To apply for Spring 2024 graduation and to earn your degree/certificate:

- You must apply with your counselor by March 14. Contact your counselor directly to schedule an appointment or call the Counseling Department at 805-289-6448.
- Once you have applied for graduation, your counselor will provide you with a confirmation of conferral/approval for you to earn your degree/certificate for Spring 2024.
- A ceremony registration email will be sent to you by mid April 8 from <u>VCGraduationInformation@vcccd.edu</u>. When you receive this email, make sure to register for the ceremony and reserve (4) tickets for your guests.

# You must be registered for the ceremony in order to walk in the graduation ceremony.

## **Important Dates**

#### **Primary Graduation Deadline**

March 14 at Noon

The last day to apply for Spring 2024 graduation to earn your degree/certificate and have your name included in the commencement ceremony program is March 14 at noon.

#### **Secondary Graduation Deadline**

April 11 at Noon

The last day to apply for Spring 2024 graduation to earn degrees/certificates is April 11 at noon. This deadline is only to earn your degree/certificate and will not guarantee you access to walk in the ceremony. **To walk in the commencement ceremony, your graduation application must be submitted to your counselor by March 14.** 

## **Ticket Information**

Get ready to share this momentous occasion with your nearest and dearest by reserving up to **four tickets** for your guests. As a graduating student, you are the VIP – **no ticket is required for graduating students!** 

Here is the scoop on how to secure your tickets:

- Keep an eye out for an email from <u>VCGraduationInformation@vcccd.edu</u> granting you access to the ticket site.
- If you have not received the registration email by **mid April**, check your spam folder.
- If you need additional assistance with ticket reservations, send an email to <u>VCGraduationInformation@vcccd.edu</u>

**Please do not request additional tickets.** If there are additional tickets, we will email you in late April.

# **Graduation Day Information**

Now, let's dive into the excitement of Graduation Day!

#### Graduates

- Graduates need to check-in at 8:30 a.m. sharp at the Athletic Event Center (Basketball Gym). Don't be late this is your time to shine!
- Bring along a valid photo ID (digital copies are fine) for check-in.
- Dress in your black caps and gowns.

#### Guests

• Guests with tickets can start entering the VC Sportsplex at 8:30 a.m.

- Can't get a ticket? No problem! Guests can still catch all the action via live streaming at the Performing Arts Center or the Applied Science Center. It's first-come, first-served, so rally your squad early!
- Parking is available at all campus parking lots (Parking shuttles available at South, North, and East parking lots.)
- Following the ceremony, guests should meet their graduates at Guthrie Hall near the Ventura College West Lot.

## **Pre-Graduation Celebration**

Mark your calendar for the VC Graduation Fair and Festivities from April 15 to 17 to pick up graduation giveaways, celebrate, and learn more about graduation. All events will be held at the VC Bookstore Quad.

#### **Graduation Information Pop Up**

Monday, April 15 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### **Graduation Celebration Brunch**

Tuesday, April 16 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### **Graduation Information Pop Up**

Wednesday, April 17 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## **Cap & Gown Information**

Purchase your graduation gear in person at the Ventura College Bookstore or call 805-289-6485. The regalia bundle includes a cap, gown, and tassel which retails for \$48.98. Vouchers for graduation regalia are available through the Basic Needs Center. Please contact 805-289-6583 for more information.

## **Diploma Information**

Ready to take on the world? We thought so! For all the nitty-gritty on diplomas please read below:

Spring 2024 and Summer 2024 graduates will receive diploma information via MyVCCCD email 8-10 weeks after the term ends.

If delays occur with receiving your diploma/certificate, please contact the Admissions & Records Office at <u>vcadmissions@vcccd.edu</u> or 805-289-6457.

# **VC Foundation Alumni Sign Up**



venturacollegefoundation.org/graduate-alumni-signup/

**Show Your VC Pirate Pride, Graduates!** YOU are a big part of our legacy, and we'd love to stay in touch to share news about Ventura College's 100th Anniversary Celebration in 2025, future VC alumni events, and opportunities. Sign up at the <u>foundation website</u>. It's FREE, easy, and you could win one of eight VISA gift cards. There are five \$50, two \$100, and one \$250! Winners will be announced on Graduation Day, May 17 at 4 p.m. on social media @VCFoundation on Facebook and Instagram!

## **Questions?**

Congratulations once again, graduates! Let's make the 2024 Graduation Ceremony one for the books! Have questions? Call 805-289-6487 or email <u>VCGraduationInformation@vcccd.edu</u> We're so proud of you!

The Ventura College Graduation Squad