



SENIOR CALENDAR OF EVENTS & GRADUATION INFORMATION

Friday, April 14th: Deadline to submit graduation speaker application and speech

Any senior interested in being a graduation speaker, please complete the [application](#), including a copy of your speech. Applications are due by Thursday, April 14th at 3:00 pm and must be submitted via Google Docs to Ms. Polinske at heather.polinske@nicolet.us.

Friday, April 29th: Cap and Gown Order Deadline: Jostens

Any graduates that have already ordered their cap and gown for graduation have received their order. Any seniors that have not received their order should see Ms. Polinske in the high school office.

If a cap and gown were not pre-ordered, please go to www.jostens.com, type in the school name and location, and then choose the cap & gown tab. Please place your order by April 29th to ensure delivery. If you need assistance, please contact Ms. Polinske in the high school office at heather.polinske@nicolet.us.

MAY 2nd - 27th School Items, Fees, Textbooks, Locker

Pay all school fees, food service balances, and library fines

- If there is a positive balance in Food Service and no siblings at Nicolet, a refund will be mailed after graduation.
- If there is a credit on a Skyward Family Access account, a check will be mailed after graduation.

Return all textbooks, school equipment and supplies and library books

- Items not returned will be billed and/or deducted from any credit on a Skyward Family Access account.

Clean out any locker you may have used (including PE and sports lockers)

- Please remove locks from hallway lockers; they are student owned. PE locks are school owned.

***Statements will be sent out prior to the end of the year. Please check your skyward access account for current balances.**

Friday, May 20th: Graduation Program Book Deadline: Awards and Scholarships

Graduates that have received an award/scholarship and would like to have it noted in the Graduation Program Book, email heather.polinske@nicolet.us. Do not include the dollar amount, only the name of the award/scholarship. Information is due no later than Monday, May 20th.

Friday, May 20th: Grad Grams Deadline

GRAD GRAMS are a Nicolet High School tradition. Show pride for a child, grandchild, neighbor, friend, or even retiring Nicolet staff. Each Grad Gram will include a personalized message along with the sender's name. Please use the link below to order. Grad Grams are \$2 each. They are available for purchase until May 20, 2022.

A standard Grad Gram allows a choice of a stock congratulatory message OR writing a custom message. Standard Grad Grams must be completed using an online form:

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/NicoletPTSOGadGrams/NicoletHighSchoolPTSOCClassOf2022GradGramsOrderForm>

If you would like to create a custom Grad Gram, please reach out to us at nicoletgradgrams@gmail.com. All Grad Grams are due by May 20th.

Friday, June 3rd: Final School Day for Most Seniors

Most seniors do not need to attend scheduled class periods during Exam/Assessment Week (June 6th-9th). Please note: if a senior student is in danger of not graduating or enrolled in a CAPP course, there is the potential need for a student to report to school to finish their coursework and/or assessments between June 6-10th. Teachers and counselors will clearly communicate expectations and any need to attend school for any senior students on an individual, case by case basis, as we near the end of the semester.

Wednesday, June 8th: MANDATORY Graduation Rehearsal for ALL Senior Students

MANDATORY graduation rehearsal will be held on Wednesday, June 8th, 2022 at Nicolet High School. ***Students not attending the rehearsal will NOT participate in the graduation ceremony.*** The only exceptions are Nicolet athletes participating in state tournaments.

All seniors need to be at Nicolet High School by 12:00 PM on Wednesday, June 8th. Students will receive a brief overview of the graduation event, walk through the ceremony, and receive their graduation tickets. Following rehearsal, all graduates are invited to attend a picnic lunch sponsored by the Nicolet High School PTSO. Lunch will be served outdoors (weather permitting).

Thursday, June 9th: Graduation Commencement Ceremony

The commencement ceremony for the Class of 2022 will be held Thursday, June 9th, 7:00 PM at:

Milwaukee Panther Arena
400 W. Kilbourn Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53203

Parking

The surface lot across from the UW-Milwaukee Panther Arena has 275 parking spots. For other parking options please visit www.parkmilwaukee.com.

Tickets

Each graduate will receive TEN (10) tickets to the graduation ceremony. Tickets will be grouped together. Seat location will be printed on each ticket, similar to attending a concert or sporting event at the arena. Tickets will be randomly assigned to graduates, and families cannot request specific seat locations.

Tickets will be distributed to graduates at the **MANDATORY** graduation rehearsal on Wednesday, June 8th, 2022 at Nicolet High School.

****Accessible Seating at Graduation** - Due to limited seating for people with mobility issues, please email heather.polinske@nicolet.us by May 2, 2022 if you require accessible seating.

Arrival

Doors to the arena will open at 6:00 PM. Graduates should report to the staging area under the concourse no later than 6:30 PM. Processional will begin promptly at 7:00 PM.

All graduates and faculty will enter via the Annex doors at **490 W. Kilbourn**. Please see the attached map for the entrance that graduates should use.

All friends and family will enter via the main doors at **400 W. Kilbourn Ave**.

Any guests using a wheelchair or motorized scooter should enter at the Annex doors - located just to the west of the main doors - at 490 W Kilbourn Ave. This entrance is in the courtyard and has a ramp for easier access.

Purchase Flowers for Your Graduate

As a convenience for families, flowers can be preordered for graduates to be picked up at the Panther Arena the day of graduation. A portion of the proceeds from flower sales goes back to Nicolet High School. Click on the link to purchase flowers: [Pre-Order Flower Form](#)

Entering the UW-Milwaukee Panther Arena

Everyone entering the Arena must have a ticket. To avoid delays while entering the arena, please do not bring any prohibited items.

Prohibited Items List

- Helium balloons
- Weapons of any type (firearm/ammo, knives of all sizes, bats, clubs, and scissors)
- No open or concealed weapons/firearms, except in your locked motor vehicle
- Explosives / fireworks
- Self-Defense Sprays (OC, Pepper Spray and Mace)
- Aerosol cans
- Brooms/broomsticks, selfie sticks, poles, and tripods
- Laser pointers
- Large banners or flags signs (over 18" x 24")
- Backpacks, oversized bags, suitcases, and hard-sided bags of any kind
- Food or drink of any kind (exception: medical, with previous approval by the WCD)
- Cans and glass containers
- Coolers or other hard sided containers
- Projectiles such as beach balls, frisbees, etc.
- Any type of ball
- Fireworks
- Drones (unmanned aircraft systems) or model aircraft
- Illegal substances
- Beverages (in any type container i.e. glass or can)
- Large umbrellas over 12 inches in length; golf umbrellas; umbrellas with pointed tips; multicolored umbrellas
- Metal chains of any kind, including wallet chains
- This list is not exhaustive. Items not appearing on this list may still be prohibited at the discretion of the Wisconsin Center District's Public Safety Department.

Departure

At the conclusion of the ceremony, graduates and family will leave using separate exits. Families can reunite outside the arena.

We look forward to helping you and your family enjoy a safe and happy graduation ceremony.