

Graduation Cap Decoration

Please take into consideration the following rules when decorating your graduation cap. Failure to follow these rules will result in removal of the cap prior to the ceremony. Students **WILL NOT** be allowed to participate in the ceremony without a cap and gown. Graduation caps will be reviewed and approved in advance of the ceremony.

Cap decorations cannot:

- Contain any advertisement, symbols, abbreviations, slogans, patches or pictures that refer to drugs or controlled substances, tobacco, alcohol or weapons.
- Be of a sexual nature.
- Denote an affiliation with gangs or which advocate drug use, violence, illegal activity, or disruptive behavior.
- Be obscene, profane, vulgar or lewd.
- Include numbers other than graduation year.
- Threaten the safety and welfare of any person.

Cap decorations must:

- Only be on the flat, top area of the mortar board. There may be nothing hanging down from any of the sides of the cap.
- Be flat on the surface of the cap. 3-D creations are prohibited.

It is appropriate to put the following on your cap.

- Thank a parent, grandparent, teacher, friend.
- Recognize the university, technical school, or branch of the military you will be joining.