



Congratulations, Graduates!

Along with your family and friends, Vermilion's Faculty & Staff are looking forward to celebrating you and your academic success on **Wednesday, May 8, 2024.**

Please make note of the following important details:

- Commencement packs, including a cap, gown & tassel will be available for purchase from Vermilion's bookstore. Payment of \$24.00 (cash, check or credit card) is due at the time of pick up. Check the signs in the hallway near the Bookstore for pick up days/times.
- Rehearsal is scheduled for 3:30-4:15 p.m., Wednesday, May 8, 2024, in Vermilion's Gymnasium. Graduates will not be excused from their final exam if one is scheduled at that time. Those in attendance will inform others as to what to expect. Chris Koivisto will facilitate the rehearsal.
- Graduates should be in the lobby of the Vermilion's Theater by 6:15 p.m., Wednesday, May 8, 2024. Come dressed in your caps, gowns & tassels for photographs, name cards, honor cords (3.5 and higher cumulative grade point average) and Veteran cords pick up. After a group photograph near the rock in the courtyard, graduates will proceed as a group to the end of the Enrollment Hallway, near the side entrance of the weight room, for procession line-up. The ceremony begins at 7:00 p.m.
- There is no limit to the number of guests you may invite to our celebration. Please remind your guests that the doors of the Vermilion gymnasium will be opened for guest seating and live entertainment, including the viewing of the slideshow, at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 8, 2024. Bleacher seating is available on a first come, first served basis. Arrangements will be made for guests requiring special seating accommodations.
- A reception to honor graduates will be held in Vermilion's cafeteria immediately following the ceremony, Wednesday, May 8, 2024. There is no charge to attend the reception, or no limit to the number of guests you may invite. Light appetizers, desserts and beverages will be available.
- If you borrowed federal student loans, you **MUST** complete loan exit counseling (even if you're transferring to another school next year). Exit counseling should be completed online at: <https://studentaid.gov/> Click on "Loan Repayment" Choose "Loan Exit Counseling." Log-In using your FSA username/password.

**Continue to watch your college email for updates and information!**