

April 24, 2025

Dear Families of the Irving ISD Senior Class of 2025,

In our ongoing commitment to providing the very best graduation experience for our students and their loved ones, we want to share an important update regarding this year's commencement ceremonies.

As we have done in the past, we have carefully considered all aspects of the event to ensure it is a memorable and meaningful celebration. Due to unanticipated logistical restrictions at our previously planned location, we recognized that the quality of the experience for our families would be significantly impacted. After thoughtful discussions and a sincere desire to enhance the graduation experience for all of our families, we have made the decision to move forward with a change in venue and date.

All Irving ISD graduation ceremonies will be hosted at the district's Joy and Ralph Ellis Stadium, located at 600 E. 6th St., Irving, TX 75060, on the dates and times as follows:

- Nimitz High School Saturday, May 31 at 8 PM
- Singley Academy Sunday, June 1 at 8 PM
- MacArthur High School Monday, June 2 at 8 PM
- Irving High School Tuesday, June 3 at 8 PM

Please know the decision to change graduation venues and dates was not made lightly. Our priority is always to create a smooth, enjoyable and inclusive celebration for everyone in attendance. Using the district-owned venue allows us increased capacity and greater flexibility to more directly manage the event experience. Additionally, the decision to host evening ceremonies was made in consideration of summer temperatures for the comfort of all in attendance.

Below are some key details aimed at ultimately ensuring a more convenient and seamless day for our students and their guests:

- **Ticketing:** With the change in venue, the ticket allotment for students has increased from 5 to 17 tickets for guests/family members. A ticket is required for every guest over the age of 2 years who requires his/her own seat. Tickets will be distributed electronically and are required for admission.
- **Parking:** Parking is free. However, carpooling is highly encouraged.
- Live Video Streaming: The event will be livestreamed and recorded for those unable to attend. A livestream link will be shared via email, social media, and at IrvingISD.net/Graduation closer to the ceremony dates.
- Weather Plan: In the event of inclement weather, backup dates have been planned for Wednesday, June 4 and Thursday, June 5. Any changes will be communicated to all families in advance.

Additional details about ticket distribution, day-of procedures (including safety measures) and other pertinent information will be shared soon.

We are excited about the opportunities the Joy and Ralph Ellis Stadium venue offers our families and are confident that it will provide a setting that reflects the pride we all share for our soon-to-be graduates and their achievements. Thank you for your continued support, flexibility and understanding as we work together to celebrate the Class of 2025 in the best way possible.