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Dear Graduate, Parent, Guardian, or Guest:

I'd like to begin by thanking you for your patience. We are working diligently to keep you up to date on all the information regarding this year's graduation ceremonies.

- 1. Ticketing:** All ticketing for the venue will be electronic. Please note that instructions to access your tickets have been emailed to you at whatever email address you provided in the graduation form. If you did not get tickets, they are still available for purchase until Friday at 11:00pm—simply go fill out the following form: <https://tinyurl.com/late2023stuygrad>. **Graduates do not need a ticket to enter;** provided they are wearing cap and gown, they will be admitted into the venue. Graduates will sit with their homerooms in chairs on the floor of the Barclays Center stadium, and guests will be in the lower bowl of the stadium. All ticketing is General Admission. There is no assigned seating. Please note that there will be no re-entry allowed!
- 2. Start Times and Directions:** We are sharing the venue with Brooklyn Tech, who have their graduation later in the day. As a result, we are operating on a strict schedule. The ceremony will last about 3.5 to 4 hours. **We ask all graduates to be at the venue by 7:30 am so we can begin promptly at 8:30 am.** Homeroom readers must arrive at 7:00 am. **All graduates and only graduates will enter through the Dean Street Entrance.** Guests may enter at 7:30am through the main entrance. As you hopefully know by now, graduation will take place at the Barclays Center. The address is **620 Atlantic Ave, Brooklyn, NY**. There is extremely limited parking in the area, so we strongly recommend taking mass transit. The following lines/stops are closest:



### **Atlantic Terminal-Barclays Center Station**

Located on Atlantic Avenue and Flatbush Avenue



### **Lafayette Avenue Station**

Located on Fulton Street and South Portland Avenue



### **Fulton Street Station**

Located on Fulton Street and Fort Greene Place

Additionally, the venue is very close to the LIRR—simply travel to Atlantic Terminal and follow the signs and directions to the stadium.

### 3. **Cap and Gown and other Senior Items**

All seniors should have received their senior package by now—this contains their cap, gown, 2023 tassel, senior t-shirt, diploma case and keychain. If you do not have your package yet, it is not too late—please contact me ASAP at [polazzo@stuy.edu](mailto:polazzo@stuy.edu). The diplomas themselves have been hand-calligraphed but are being stamped and will be distributed in homerooms on **Tuesday, June 27th**. As a reminder, all fees should be cleared, **all textbooks and devices should be returned by June 23 at 4:00pm**. The building may be entered from 2:30pm to 4pm this week due to Regents exams. Additionally, **the 2023 yearbook is still available for purchase** you may do so until Friday, 11pm, June 23 for \$85 through this link: <https://stuy.enschool.org/apps/forms2/?f=38277>.

### 4. **Plan for the Day**

After the opening we will have speeches along with a combination of live as well as pre-recorded musical performances. Seniors will cross the stage, and will have the opportunity to shake hands with the principal. When each senior crosses the stage, their picture will be displayed on the Jumbotron along with their name. Seniors will go by official class, starting with 7AA. We hope to be done by 12:00 pm at the latest, but this is a complicated undertaking and we ask that you be patient with us. **We must clear the stadium immediately as there is a graduation following ours**. Outside the main entrance, there will be photo opportunities set up by the Parent's Association.

### 5. **Food/Prohibited Items**

Food and drink are not allowed in the venue. Please note that **thermoses are not allowed, though you may bring an empty disposable plastic container** for the water fountain. Also, there will be limited concessions available for purchase—please plan accordingly!

### 6. **Accessibility/Security**

If you have mobility issues or accessibility issues, please alert the venue staff upon entry and they will help guide you to appropriate seats. Please also note that **Barclays requires all attendees to go through metal detectors**.

### 7. **Livestream**

The event will be livestreamed at the following URL: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x-A5g7DeUwE>. If there are any tech issues with this livestream, it should also be available on the SU YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCrJfXD2sGaGPOxxcrk6lgg>

Best,



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