



COLORADO
Early Colleges
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2025-26 Frequently Asked Graduation Questions

PLEASE READ BELOW FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE GRADUATION INFORMATION. THIS INFORMATION WAS UPDATED ON 08/20/2025. (If we make any changes to the information below, we will change the date in this box to indicate when updates were made.)

QUESTION	RESPONSE
When is the CECFC Class of 2026 graduation ceremony?	Monday, May 18, 2026 – Time TBD
Where is the CECFC Class of 2026 graduation ceremony?	Blue Arena - 5290 Arena Circle Loveland, CO 80538
Do I have to apply for graduation?	Yes, via the Graduation Application Form
Is there a graduation fee	Yes, \$55 - see Grad Website for details
Are tickets (wristbands) required for guests at the ceremony	No, tickets are not required.
Does CECFC provide grads with a cap, gown & tassel?	NO, it is the responsibility of the grad to order their cap & gown unit directly from Jostens .
Does CECFC have caps & gowns (no tassel) that can be borrowed for grads on free & reduced lunch status?	Yes, a limited number of caps & gowns (no tassel) are available to be borrowed for grads on free & reduced lunch status, to apply, click HERE
Can I wear a gown from the community college?	No, graduates must wear a CEC cap and gown, click HERE to order.
Can I wear the college honors cording I earned?	Yes, CEC encourages grads to wear all honors earned, but your cap & gown must be from CECFC.
What should I wear to the ceremony?	Semi-casual clothing
Can I decorate my cap?	Yes*
Does CEC provide free honors cording &/or medals to students?	Yes, CEC provides Cum, Magna, & Summa Laude Cording, NHS, Key Club, SGA, and other cording/medals, for participation in CECFC clubs for students walking in the ceremony. Must be a member in good standing and have completed Grad App, Grad Exit Form, and paid grad fee.
Do I have to pay to park at Blue Arena?	Yes - \$5. Per vehicle
Does Blue Arena have a clear bag policy	Yes, Details to be provided.
What time do doors open for guest seating?	TBD
Are there accessible seating accommodations?	Yes, Blue Arena has accessible seating marked.
Will the ceremony be live streamed?	Yes

Will there be a photographer at the ceremony?	TBD
Is there a place to take pictures?	Yes, CECFC will have several photo booths
Will there be a Senior Slide Show?	No
Can my family bring flowers?	Yes
Will there be a lost & found table?	Yes
Is there a locked room for grads to keep personal items?	No, grads are encouraged to leave all personal items at home or with their guests
Is food provided for the grads?	No
Will graduation programs be available for guests?	Yes, grads will receive one copy of the program. Programs will be available online and extra programs for keepsake may be available during Diploma Pick Up days.

*Graduates are encouraged to print their names inside their caps. They are also encouraged to decorate the top of their caps following CEC dress code standards: Words, symbols, or pictures which include any references to sex, drugs, tobacco, alcohol, weapons, obscenities, profanities, as well as anything vulgar, lewd, legally libelous, distracting, and/or dangerous are prohibited.