

Alfred M. Barbe Graduation Ceremony – **READ CAREFULLY**

1. Please arrive at the Burton Coliseum at **1:30 PM**. We will start promptly at 3:00 PM. Keep in mind that traffic will be congested with everyone arriving at the same time. Arrange for someone to hold your purse, keys, etc. **BEFORE** entering the coliseum as each of you will also have to go through the security.
2. Assemble in the lineup area (opposite end of the stage). It will be sectioned off for graduates only. Friends and family will NOT be allowed on the coliseum floor before/after graduation.
3. Bring the following items with you:
 - CAP: Girls will need bobby pins to hold it in place.
 - TASSEL: Hangs on the RIGHT side of your cap.
 - GOWN & BLUE STOLE: Press/iron your gown and stole with a cloth between the garment and iron. Honor Graduates: The stole should be pressed and worn around the neck over the graduation gown and blue stole.
 - CORDS: All cords are worn over the stole
4. Dress appropriately! Boys and girls should be dressed in nice clothing. No t-shirts, jeans, shorts, tennis shoes, or flip-flops. Students who are not dressed appropriately will be pulled from the line and will not be able to walk.
5. Do **NOT** add any remarks and/or artwork to your cap OR gown.
6. If your behavior is not appropriate before or during the ceremony, you will be removed.
7. As you march into the coliseum, **space yourself 3-4 feet behind the person in front of you**. After you reach your seat, **remain standing**. Boys will remove their caps for the Pledge and Star-Spangled Banner. Do NOT put your cap back on until you are told to be seated.
8. Someone will instruct each row to stand when it is time to approach the stage. After you have walked in front of the stage, your row should remain standing until everyone in the row has returned to their seats.
9. As you walk in front of the stage, shake hands with Mr. Fontenot and pause for a picture.
10. The ceremony is not over until Mr. Fontenot dismisses you. After all graduates have returned to their seats, he will ask you to rise. He will pronounce you Barbe High School Graduates and tell you to switch your tassel from the right to the left side of your cap. This will be the appropriate time to cheer and celebrate.
11. Your white packets will include your report card, transcript, and diploma.
12. ALL Louisiana state colleges will receive transcripts electronically, so there is no need for those students to request a transcript. If you need a transcript sent out of state, request forms are available in the Guidance Office.
13. Graduation photos: Text 26511GY24 to 90738* or visit <https://galleries.photoday.io/> and enter the access code to get started. Access code is 26511GY24.
14. **Graduation Practice is Sunday morning at 9:00 AM sharp – be there at 8:45 am.**

ADDITIONAL NOTES FOR GUESTS:

- **Doors open at 1:30 PM**
- **Guests with disabilities should be advised about elevators on the East and West sides of the Coliseum.**
- **Out of respects for all graduates, please ask your friends and family to refrain from bringing air horns and other noise makers.**