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2020 Graduations

Bon Secours Wellness Arena *(BSWA)* | 650 N. Academy Street, Greenville

Available in Spanish at www.greenville.k12.sc.us

TICKETING

The Governor has given special exemptions to districts to allow large gatherings for the purpose of High School Graduation, so long as social distancing is maintained. All guidance coming from State leaders has been to allow a maximum of two tickets per graduate for guests. As a result, all GCS graduates are receiving two tickets to the 2020 graduation ceremonies.

All guests *(including small children)* will need a ticket to enter BSWA. Tickets will be given to the graduates for distribution.

All guests will have assigned seats. Please proceed immediately to your assigned seat and remain there until the ceremony has concluded and the graduates' recessional is completed.

The arena was configured and ticketed based on the needs of the largest school. As a result, there may be empty sections of seats near the stage for some of the ceremonies. The video board at BSWA will be utilized, allowing every seat in the arena to have a great view of the graduates as they walk the stage.

Guests with special needs such as wheelchair access may request an accessible ticket from the school or visit guest services upon arrival at BSWA

SOCIAL DISTANCING

Social distancing will be strictly enforced inside and outside the arena.

Guests may remove their masks while seated. Please utilize masks while moving about the arena.

Please maintain a minimum of six-feet of distance between each pair of guests at all times.

ARENA ENTRY

(Temperature Screening, Clear Bag, No Weapons)

Please enter through the designated entrance. *(see reverse for map and designations)*

Late arrivers will not be granted access. Doors will close 10 minutes after official graduation start time.

No weapons are allowed in BSWA. Handheld metal detectors will be utilized at entry points to ensure compliance.

Only clear bags are allowed in BSWA. No balloons, flowers, etc.

Guests will not be allowed entry without a facial mask/covering. GCS will **NOT** provide masks to ticketed guests.

Upon arrival, the temperature of all participants *(guests, administrators, and graduates)* will be checked with a digital, no-touch thermometer. No one will be allowed in the arena with a temperature greater than 100.4.

Doors will open to guests one hour before the graduation ceremony. Some schools will develop a system for staggered arrivals to help with social distancing.

MEDICAL PRECAUTIONS

Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 or who has tested positive and not been cleared to exit quarantine should NOT attend graduation ceremonies.

Anyone who is immune compromised or in a high-risk category should view the ceremony virtually via the live-stream link at *www.greenville.k12.sc.us*.

An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. By deciding to attend graduation, attendees voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.

SPECIAL PARKING & ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS

The BSWA VIP Parking Area **will not** be available for guests. A limited number of parking spots in the VIP Parking Area will be available to students via lottery. Those students will receive their parking pass for that area when they receive their graduation tickets. Guests and students *(those that do not receive a parking pass)* should use city parking garages or private parking areas offered for typical BSWA events.

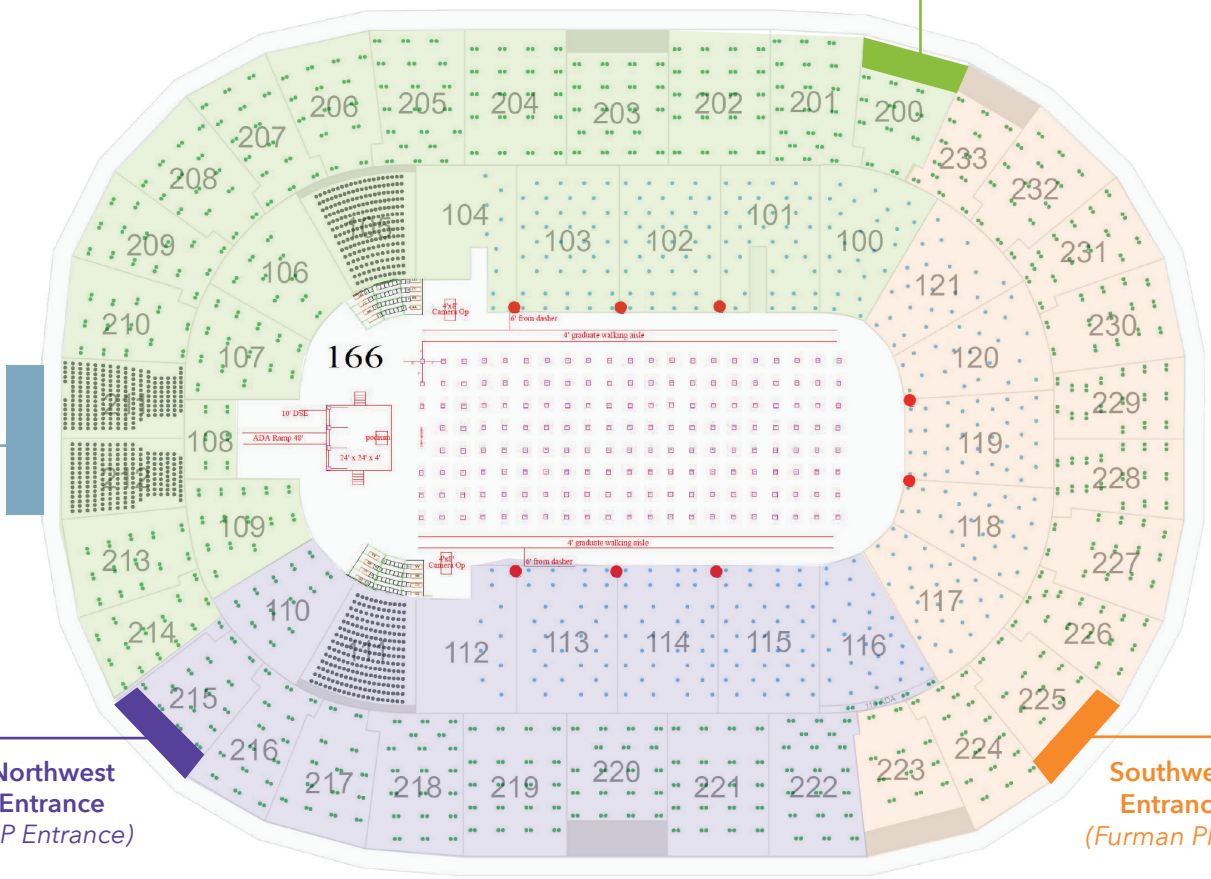
All **GRADUATES AND STAFF** should enter loading tunnel located on the North side of BSWA facing North Academy Street

SECTIONS 110-116 AND SECTIONS 215-223
Ticketed Guests In Above Sections Should Enter From **Northwest Entrance** of BSWA *(VIP Entrance)* that faces North Church Street

SECTIONS 117-121 AND SECTIONS 224-233
Ticketed Guests In Above Sections Should Enter From **Southwest Entrance** of BSWA *(Furman Plaza)* that faces the Church Street Garage and Beattie Place

SECTIONS 100-109 AND SECTIONS 200-214
Ticketed Guests In Above Sections Should Enter From Southeast Entrance of BSWA *(Entegra Plaza)* that faces the corner of East North Street and North Academy Street

Southeast Entrance *(Entegra Plaza)*



Northwest Entrance *(VIP Entrance)*

Southwest Entrance *(Furman Plaza)*

AMENITIES FOR 2020

A professional photographer will take a digital photo of each graduate as he/she receives a diploma. Those photos will be available for download free of charge.

All graduations will be live-streamed and recorded for later viewing. A link will be provided at *www.greenville.k12.sc.us*.

Due to COVID-19, printed programs will not be distributed to guests. Programs will be available on school websites prior to graduation day. Guests are encouraged to view the program from their phones or download and print the program prior to arrival at BSWA. Graduates will receive a printed program.