

# **Parking & Transportation Q&A's 2025 University Commencement Ceremonies (Hayward Campus)**

## **Are parking permits needed to park on campus during Commencement Ceremonies?**

Yes, special commencement parking permits will be required to park at the University for ceremonies on Friday, May 16th, Saturday, May 17th, and Sunday, May 18th. The University's Semester/Daily/Hourly parking permits are NOT valid for the commencement ceremonies. Please keep in mind that having a special commencement parking permit does not guarantee a parking space on campus. Parking is limited and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

## **Is the graduate required to display the special commencement parking permit on their vehicle?**

Yes, every vehicle parking on the campus for Friday, Saturday and Sunday ceremonies will be required to display the confirmation receipt of their commencement parking permit on their dashboard. The University's Semester/Daily/Hourly parking permits are NOT valid for the commencement ceremonies. Carpooling with family, friends or other graduates is highly encouraged.

## **How do I get my parking permits for the ceremony?**

You can obtain your three (3) parking permits via your ceremony link on the Parking website at [www.csueastbay.edu/parking](http://www.csueastbay.edu/parking). Each commencement ceremony will have its own unique special commencement parking permit that will only be valid on the designated date and time. Parking permits will be virtual and linked to a vehicle by license plate. The confirmation receipt must be displayed on the dashboard when parking on campus. Be sure to register your vehicle and obtain your permits by Monday, May 12, 2025.

## **What entrance to campus do I use for Commencement Ceremonies?**

There will be one way traffic only on campus. All vehicles will enter campus via Carlos Bee Blvd and exit via Harder Road.

## **When should the graduate arrive for the ceremonies?**

It is recommended that graduates arrive at least one hour before the start of your ceremony to find parking and make your way over to the Graduate Assembly Area across from the Music Building.

## **Where should graduates park on commencement day? Where should guests park?**

Graduates will park in the same lots as Guests, Parking Lots G and H. Please follow road signs and the instructions of law enforcement personnel who will be directing traffic.

## **Where should graduates or guests park if they have a Disabled Placard?**

Vehicles displaying a DMV-issued Disabled Persons Parking Placard, along with the special commencement confirmation receipt and registration in the system, will be directed to PARKING LOT K. Please follow road signs and the instructions of law enforcement personnel who will be directing traffic.

## **What happens if I didn't register my vehicle but show up for the ceremony?**

Vehicles without the special commencement confirmation receipt or vehicle registration in the system will not be permitted to park on campus.

## **What happens if parking on campus fills up?**

In the event that parking on campus reaches capacity in the designated lots for the ceremonies, guests and graduates will be directed to park in the overflow lots near the West side of campus.

## **Will the campus shuttles be running to/from the BART station?**

Yes, the University will provide free shuttle service to and from the DOWNTOWN HAYWARD BART STATION starting two hours before each ceremony. The shuttles will run approximately every 30 minutes depending on traffic, and will continue to run until approximately one hour after the ceremony concludes. There will be NO Shuttle service from the Castro Valley BART Station. AC Transit Line 60 is another option from the Downtown Hayward BART Station. AC Transit runs approximately every 40 minutes.

## **Will there be UBER/LYFT drop off locations?**

Yes, the University will provide UBER and Lyft drop off and pick up locations. All ceremonies will take place at the Amphitheater and the drop off/ pick up location will be in Lot H, in marked spaces.