

Graduation Attire

Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS)

Introduction

Graduation ceremonies are school-sponsored events that recognize the achievement of the graduating class as a whole, the success of the school community as an institution, and the mission of CTECS to prepare trade-bound students to meet the skilled workforce needs in Connecticut, as well as providing special recognition to each student's achievements and participation in school-related activities.

Graduation Attire

All students participating in a graduation ceremony at a CTECS school shall wear a school-issued cap and gown. Graduates may only wear cords, stoles, or medals that represent a school-awarded achievement.

Students may decorate the top of the cap with the following types of decorations:

- Expression of thanks
- Recognition of future education, military service, or employer
- Graduation year
- Flag of a country as recognized by the UN/Regalia of a Native American or Pacific Islander tribe/Regalia of cultural or religious significance
- Recognition of achievement (e.g. Eagle Scout, Gold Award, black belt)

Any cap decoration must be pre-approved by school administration. School administration reserves the right to withhold approval of any decoration that does not meet the above criteria or is deemed inappropriate for the commencement ceremony.

Any attire that violates this policy will not be allowed into the ceremony. Any items not meeting the requirements outlined above will be confiscated and can be picked up from the front office after graduation.

No exceptions shall be made.

Graduates are encouraged to wear personal accoutrements and/or practice any traditions

before or after the ceremony.

Michael Crocco, Superintendent

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