



# GUEST COMMENCEMENT GUIDE



FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC  
UNIVERSITY

## CEREMONY

The graduation ceremony will take place Saturday, May 9 at 2 p.m. The ceremony will last approximately two hours. RP Funding Center's Jenkins Arena, 701 W. Lime St. in Lakeland, Florida 33815.

## ARRIVAL, SEATING AND CONCESSION INFORMATION

Guests should park in the Orange or Red parking lot and enter through Entrance 2. Overflow parking will be available in the Purple lot. Please review the attached map for clarification. Doors will open at 12:30 p.m. Guests will pass through security upon entering the building and all bags will be checked. Clear bags are recommended to efficiently move through security.

Guests must provide their unique digital ticket to be admitted into the arena. Lap-children ages 2 and younger do not need a ticket.

After the ceremony, graduates will be led out of the arena near Entrance 2 and will not be permitted to re-enter the building. Guests should plan to meet their graduate(s) outside of the building (near the Orange/Red parking lots).

## ADA ACCOMMODATIONS

If you and/or your graduate(s) need ADA accommodations, please email your request to [ada@floridapoly.edu](mailto:ada@floridapoly.edu) no later than April 18, 2026.

## CONSIDERATION FOR ALL GUESTS AND GRADUATES

This is an important day for all in attendance and we ask that guests limit their celebration as their Graduate's name is called. Prolonged celebration may prevent the guests of the next Graduate from hearing their name called. Noise makers, bullhorns, and other loud devices are not permitted. While photos and video recording are welcomed, guests may not stand in stairways or walkways during the ceremony as this may block the view for other guests.

## OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER

Grad Images is the official photographer for commencement and will have clear access to photograph the graduates during the ceremony. Graduates and their families will have the opportunity to order the commencement photos from Grad Images. Graduates will receive a link to order commencement photos when they become available. Visit [gradimages.com](http://gradimages.com) to find the photos taken at the 2026 Commencement Ceremony.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Share your Florida Poly pride before, during, and after the ceremony by tagging your pics [#FLPolyGrad](https://www.facebook.com/FLPolyGrad) on Facebook, X, and Instagram.



# PARKING OVERVIEW

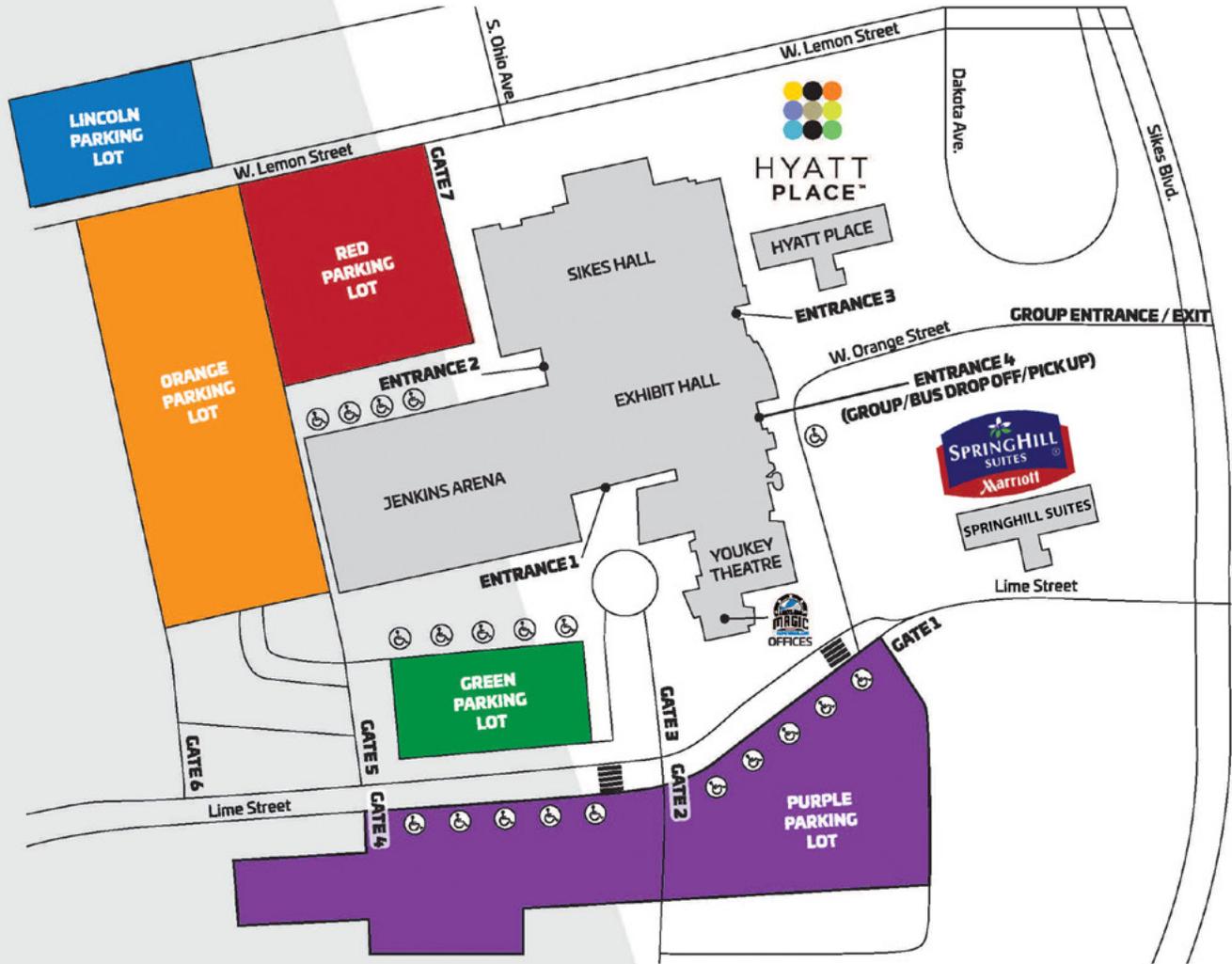
## DIRECTIONS

**I-4:** Exit 31, travel south on Kathleen Road, turn right on West Lime Street.

**POLK PKWY:** Exit 4, travel north on Harden Blvd., then turn left on West Lime Street.

**SOUTH:** Travel north on Hwy. 37 to West Lime Street, turn left.

**SOUTHEAST:** I-75 N to Hwy. 60, head east to Hwy. 37, follow directions from SOUTH.



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