October 7, 2021

Dear Prospective Graduate:

CONGRATULATIONS on being a Fall 2021 prospective graduate at Alcorn State University. The University family joins your family, friends, and supporters with well-wishes as you prepare for commencement.

The University will continue to enforce safety protocols to protect the health and safety of our campus community. Face coverings are strongly encouraged for outdoor venues when in small groups or in close proximity to others. The University will provide additional details on safety protocols in subsequent communications.

The appropriate dress is academic regalia for undergraduates, the graduation cap should be worn atop your head flat with the tassel placed to the right front side of the cap. When the degree is conferred, you will move the tassel to the left. Men should remove their caps for the invocation and benediction. For prospective graduate students, the tassel should be worn on the left and remain on the left throughout the ceremony. As a result of commencement taking place on the football field, we ask that women wear flat shoes (those without a heel) in order to reduce the number of indentions in the field. Commencement marshals will be on hand to guide you—please comply with their instructions at all times.

Prospective graduates MUST place orders for their cap and gown online no later than Friday, November 5, 2021 at www.alcorn.edu/commencement. Again, congratulations on reaching this milestone.

Sincerely,

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