



USCGA

United States Coast Guard Academy
New London, Connecticut

GRAD WEEK

****All information available on the *new*
Commencement Website www.uscga.edu/Commencement****

Dear Parents and families of the CGA Class of 2020,

This marks the first of many red letter dates in your cadet's final year as an Academy Cadet.

Planning for Grad Week events has already begun and we plan to keep everything *electronic* this year using the **Commencement Website** www.uscga.edu/Commencement. Please use this website to keep up to date and keep in contact with your cadet for questions. You should expect to see forms uploaded on the website containing specific information regarding schedules and accommodations. Most event ticket orders (not ceremony) will be taken online and may be purchased by using a credit card, check, or money order, **BUT NOT AT THIS TIME**. In the early spring, updated versions of the schedule and other items of interest for Grad Week will be available on the Commencement website, informing you when the ordering website will be up and running.

Commencement Day ceremony tickets may only be ordered by the cadet on an internal website.

The Commencement website has a list of events requiring ticket purchases and a tentative schedule of Commencement Week Activities.

A Motel and Hotel Accommodations List will also be uploaded to the Commencement website. If you have not already done so, I suggest that you make or, better yet, **have your cadet make** reservations as soon as possible. Local motels are more apt to give a discounted rate to active duty military. Don't despair if an 800 number tells you all rooms are full; in some instances, blocks of rooms are available at local reservation desks in anticipation of Coast Guard Academy Graduation. This motel/hotel list was compiled by the CGA Alumni Association and contains negotiated prices in effect for calendar year 2020.

I hope you find the new Commencement website and information useful as you make your plans for this special occasion. As time advances and plans progress, we will be sending updates via the CGA **Commencement website** and Social Media Facebook.

Sincerely,

Cadet CGA Commencement Committee