

Graduation Q'S and A'S

Please Read Carefully!

- Q. When is the graduation ceremony?**
Date: May 8, 2027 **Time:** TBD
- Q. How do I get ready for graduation?** Begin by reading the information enclosed in this packet, complete the graduation application, pay the fee (if applicable), and return to the Registrar's Office.
- Q. How can I be sure I am ready to graduate?** Meet with your student success and engagement representative to review your educational plan.
- Q. What if I have enough hours to graduate, but do not meet all course requirements?**
Discuss this with your student success and engagement representative. You may have taken a course(s) that will satisfy requirements for a course substitution. Exceptions must be approved by your department chairperson and the Registrar's Office. For a course to be substituted, a substitution form must be completed and submitted to the Registrar's Office for approval.
- Q. What if I am taking a course at another college to complete my course work for graduation?**
Remember that residence requirements must be met (refer to "Graduation Eligibility") in order to graduate from Bladen Community College. To take a course at another college to meet a graduation requirement approval should be obtained from the Registrar. It is the responsibility of the student to provide proof of registration at another college and to make sure the final grade is submitted to BCC. Diplomas and degrees will be conferred when official transcripts are submitted to BCC, and the transferred credit has been evaluated and approved.
- Q. When do I apply for graduation?** In order to receive timely feedback and to be included on the candidates for graduation mailing list, graduation applications must be submitted by **Wednesday, November 25, 2026**.
- Q. Is there a fee for graduation? No. If I am applying for degrees, diplomas and certificates, do I still pay?** Yes. The highest degree will be printed. Additional degrees, diplomas and certificates for print will cost \$15.00 for each credential without cover and \$25.00 each with cover. Pay the Cashier located in the Student Services Building (building 2) and return your paid receipt to the Registrar's Office for verification of payment along with your completed graduation application.
- Q. Degrees/diplomas/certificates** will be mailed to the address listed on the graduation application. Credentials are processed 3 times a year; March (Fall), July (Spring), and September (Summer). Credentials should be expected around 6-8 weeks after processing. Remember to update your graduation application and permanent record if an address or telephone number changes.
- Q. What else should I know about the graduation ceremony?** It's important to apply for graduation in the previous term so that an initial audit review can be conducted. The audit will affirm that you have completed all of the course requirements for graduation or give you time to register for classes should you be missing a class. Please contact the Registrar's Office if you have not received your acknowledgement letter by January 29, 2027.