

## 2023 GRADUATION CEREMONY: What you need to know!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
What date is the graduation ceremony holding?	The graduation ceremony will be held on the 28 <sup>th</sup> of October 2023.
Where will the ceremony be held?	Núcleo de Arte e Cultura, Wemmerpan, Regent Park, Johannesburg
What time does the graduation ceremony start?	The ceremony will commence from 10h00 till 13h00 (No African time!)
Are guests allowed?	All graduands will have the opportunity of inviting two guests, additional guests will be allowed but at a cost of R250 per guest.
How much is the graduation fee?	<b>R3 000</b> . An additional amount of <b>R500</b> as security deposit in respect of the graduation gown will be payable. The <b>R500</b> will be refunded on returning of the graduation gown.
When should the graduation gown be collected?	The gowns should be collected two days before the actual ceremony.
Will I be able keep the gown at the end of the ceremony?	No, except students who have made arrangement to buy the gown.
When should the gown be returned?	The graduation gown and other items must be returned within 48 hours after the ceremony.
Will I be able to keep the belt after the ceremony?	All students will be able to keep their belt, but this will attract a deduction of <b>R250</b> from the <b>R500</b> deposit.
What is the banking details for the payment of the graduation fee?	Bank: ABSA Account Name: HillCross Property Payment Reference: ID No / Graduation fee
Can payment be made in instalments?	Yes, payment for the graduation fee can be made in instalment but the instalment must be completed at least a week before the ceremony date.
Will the college provide transportation to the venue?	Yes. Those who will not be travelling in their own cars can come down to the College from where they will be shuttled down to the venue
What time will the transportation depart from the college to the ceremony venue?	Transportation will be available from 08h30 – 09h45.
Will there be refreshments at the ceremony?	Yes.
Is it possible to pay for an additional guest on the day of the graduation ceremony?	Yes, it will be possible, but we advise that the issue of additional guests be sorted way ahead of the ceremony.

<b>Will there be issuance of qualifications on the day of graduation?</b>	Yes, certification of completion of program will be issued.
<b>What is "Certification of Completion?"</b>	Certification of completion is the temporary evidence that the student has completed his/her program of study. The actual program qualification certificate will still be issued by the relevant authorities.
<b>If I have paid half of the required amount, will I still be able to participate in the ceremony?</b>	No, only students with paid up fees will be able to participate in the ceremony.
<b>Can I bring my own photographer to the ceremony?</b>	Yes, but they will be restricted during the ceremony but will become unrestricted after the ceremony.
<b>How many pictures are we going to receive since the amount charged covers pictures as well?</b>	Each graduand will get 4 pictures each.
<b>When, where and how do I pay?</b>	Payment must be made into the designated ABSA account. Please consult with the College for payment advise.
<b>Who is eligible to participate in the graduation ceremony?</b>	Only students who have completed all the required modules under their program of study and have been found competent.
<b>How long will the ceremony last?</b>	It will last for about 3 hours.
<b>Who should I contact regarding information for graduation ceremony?</b>	Please call the College landline on <b>+27 11 071 71 71</b> or Email can also be sent to <a href="mailto:thobekile.k@hillcrosscollege.com">thobekile.k@hillcrosscollege.com</a>
<b>Can I get the belt without attending the ceremony?</b>	Unfortunately, no!
<b>If I am unable to attend the forthcoming ceremony, will I be able to attend the future ceremony?</b>	Yes.
<b>If I am unable to attend the graduation ceremony, will I be able to get a refund of the amount paid with respect to the ceremony?</b>	No, payment made will not be refundable.
<b>Can my guest come with balloons &amp; flowers?</b>	Yes.
<b>What if I have additional questions?</b>	Please call the College landline on <b>+27 11 071 71 71</b> or Email can also be sent to <a href="mailto:thobekile.k@hillcrosscollege.com">thobekile.k@hillcrosscollege.com</a>
<b>What is the dress code?</b>	Graduands must come formally dressed. Anyone who is not formally dressed may not be allowed to partake in the ceremony.