



April 1, 2020
Commencement 2020 Cancellation Notice

We have made the difficult decision to cancel Davis College's April 23, 2020 academic award ceremony and the May 8-9, 2020 commencement rehearsal and ceremony.

We know this is a highly anticipated time for our graduating students, and we realize how much they will miss the recognition and closure that a commencement ceremony would bring. Please know that this is a difficult decision for us to make, but by doing so, we are taking the best action we can to protect the health and safety of our students, family members, faculty, staff, and those in the greater community.

We chose not to delay this decision to provide certainty for students and families and to further encourage everyone to stay home. This decision aligns with the COVID-19 precautions established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the New York State Department of Health. We know that these restrictions are likely to increase in the coming weeks.

Students are encouraged to fulfill all the academic, financial, and administrative requirements needed to graduate on time. Please be aware that the academic schedule remains in force, regardless of remote, online, or teaching sites study locations. Students who meet all the necessary requirements established by the College will still graduate in May, despite the lack of a ceremony, and will receive their awards, regalia, and diplomas by mail later in the summer. Students will also be given the option to participate in next year's graduation exercises at our new Pottersville, NY location, pending all necessary approvals by the governing agencies. We applaud the hard work and determination of our graduating students.

In the meantime, we hope our graduates know that everyone at Davis College is incredibly proud of and inspired by their achievements. This has been an exceptionally difficult time for us all, and we appreciate the patience, determination and resolve that you've demonstrated. May God's richest blessing be upon the future alumni of Davis College!

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