

Instructions for Cap & Gown

1. **Do not place an iron directly on gown material. Hot irons will burn a hole through the fabric.** You may steam your gown or if you hang your gown from now until graduation, many of the wrinkles may fall out. Also, Downey wrinkle releaser will help some of wrinkles come out.
2. Mortar board hat should be worn on the top of the head with the board parallel with the ground.
 - a. Girls may wish to use bobby pins to keep the hat securely on the head.
 - b. SCA staff will help position and pin caps on graduation day
3. Tassel should be worn on the left side of the mortar board and it will moved to the right during the commencement ceremony.
4. Male Attire:
 - a. Dark dress pants and dark dress shoes and socks (No flip flops or tennis shoes)
 - b. White shirt and tie (please be aware of colors/patterns; the tie will be visible)
 - c. Clean shaven and appropriate hair cut
 - d. No earrings
5. Female Attire
 - a. Appropriate dress, skirt/blouse, or dark dress pants
 - i. Length to the top of the knee
 - ii. Modest....PLEASE
 - iii. Necklaces will be visible so please keep them minimal and neutral in color.
 - iv. Dress shoes or sandals (No flip flops)
 1. Try to wear something with a strap around the heel, so you're not making a clunking sound as you walk across the stage. ☺
 2. Shoes must be white, nude, black or silver.
6. Please do not carry your cell phone during commencement. We will collect all phones and return to you after graduation.
7. The white stole that is worn over the gown and around the neck will be passed out before the ceremony. This stole must be returned to SCA before you depart from the graduation venue.
8. Class medallions, Valedictorian/Salutatorian medallions, honor pins, and honor cords will also be passed out before the ceremony.
9. There may be white, thin collars that are in the cap & gown packet. Seniors do not need to wear these because they will wear the white stole over their cap and gown.

