



GUIDE TO  
**Commencement 2010**

Saturday, May 1

**Congratulations to our graduates!**

This is an exciting time for your family. We hope you will take full advantage of celebrating this accomplishment by attending Commencement.

This folder contains a listing of the day's events and answers to frequently asked questions which we hope will make your experience more stress-free and enjoyable.

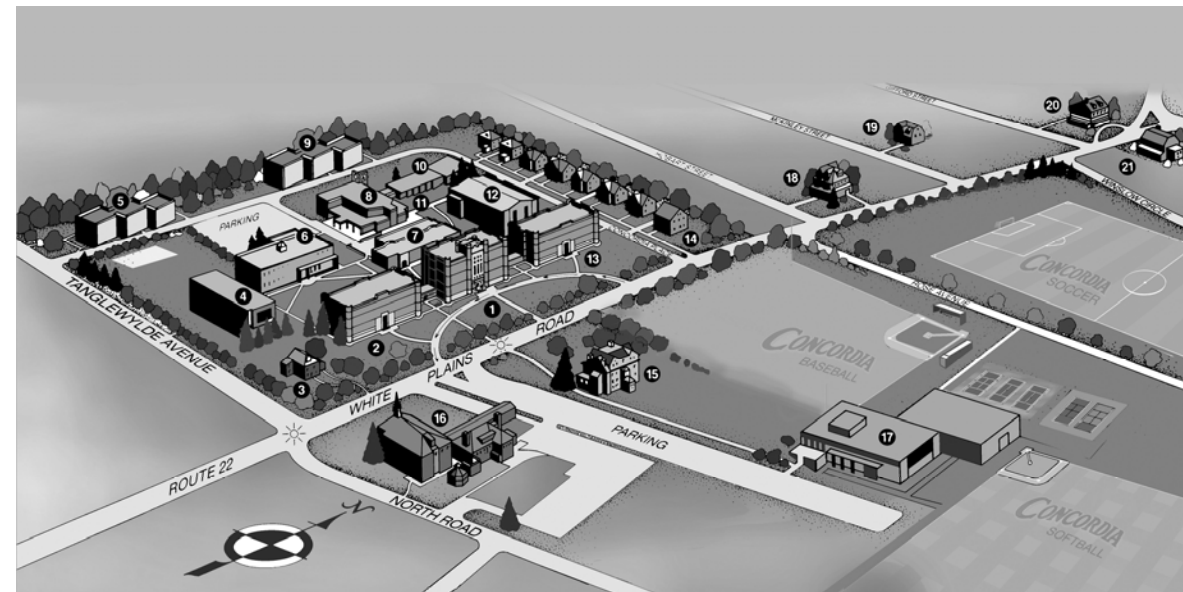
You can get any last-minute information (such as the event being held indoors because of inclement weather) at the College's website: [www.concordia-ny.edu](http://www.concordia-ny.edu). If you still have a question, please don't hesitate to call us.

Sincerely,

Charlie Browne  
Director of Communications  
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**August and December 2009 Graduates:**

August and December 2009 graduates may participate in the May 2010 Commencement ceremonies; they will be so designated in the official program and have their names read as they walk across the stage to receive their diploma.



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| 1) Feth Hall        | 6) Brunn-Maier Hall | 12) Schoenfeld Hall       |
| 2) Sieker Hall      | 7) The Commons      | 13) Bohm Hall             |
| 3) President's Home | 8) Sommer Center    | 14) Concordia Place       |
| 4) Scheele Library  | 9) Rippe Hall       | 15) Stein Hall            |
| 5) Romoser Hall     | 10) Music Building  | 17) Meyer Athletic Center |

**Directions to Concordia College**

171 White Plains Road (Route 22), Bronxville, NY 10708

**From New York City, New Jersey, and Upstate New York:**

Take the New York State Thruway (Major Deegan Expressway/Route 87) to the Cross County Parkway. Go east to exit 8, Route 22/North Columbus Avenue. Turn left at the bottom of the exit ramp and proceed north on North Columbus Avenue/Route 22. The College is located 1.4 miles north.

**From Long Island:**

Take the Hutchinson River Parkway (off the New England Thruway) north to exit 13, Cross County Parkway. Continue on the Cross County Parkway to exit 8, route 22/North Columbus Avenue. At the end of the ramp, turn left onto Route 22. The College is located 1.4 miles north.

**From Connecticut:**

Take the Merritt Parkway to the Hutchinson River Parkway south to exit 18W, Mill Road. At the end of the ramp, turn right onto Mill Road and continue 0.7 miles to Route 22/White Plains Road. Turn left onto White Plains Road. The College is located one mile south.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Parking** is available at the Sommer Center (parking lot located in the center of campus), in front of Romoser and Rippe Halls, and across White Plains Road/Route 22 on Rose Avenue and at the Meyer Athletic Center. Guests may be dropped off in the circular driveway in front of the College, but no parking is allowed in this driveway except for vehicles displaying the appropriate handicap permit. Please follow the directions of the parking attendants.

**Handicapped parking** is available in the front circular driveway and the Sommer Center parking lot. NOTE: If you do not have a handicapped permit, your vehicle will be ticketed (\$65).

**Tickets are not required if Commencement is held on the Quad.** If weather necessitates Commencement being held indoors, exercises will be held in the Meyer Athletic Center, across White Plains Road/Route 22. In such an event, **graduates are limited to 5 guest tickets**, which will be in their graduation packet. Doors open at 1:00pm.

**Photography:** Throughout the day, a professional photographer will take candid. All photos taken during the day will be available for purchase. Beginning May 3, photos will be available online for purchase on the photographer's website: [www.popephotography.com](http://www.popephotography.com) To gain access to the full selection of photos, the password "clippers" is necessary.

**Drinking Water** will be provided about 1:30pm from several large coolers around the Commencement seating area.

**Rest Rooms** are located in The Commons dining hall, the Sommer Center, and the lower levels of Feth and Brunn-Maier Halls. (Should Commencement be held in the Meyer Athletic Center, rest rooms are located off the lobby.)

### **Indebtedness to the College:**

If a student has not met their financial obligations to the College by Friday, April 23, they will not be allowed to pick up their cap and gown or participate in Commencement. This is a firm deadline.

### **Diplomas:**

When a graduate walks across the stage, they receive only a diploma case. This is done to lessen confusion and eliminate any administrative problems. Graduates will be able to pick up their actual personal diploma in the Dean of the College's office two-to-three weeks after graduation, or they will be mailed.

## SCHEDULE of EVENTS

9:00 to 10:00am	<b>Refreshments</b>	<i>The Commons</i>
10:30am	<b>The Baccalaureate</b>	<i>Sommer Center for Worship and the Performing Arts</i>
11:45am to 1:30pm	<b>Luncheon</b>	<i>The Commons and under the tent on the Quad</i>
2:00pm	<b>The Commencement</b>	<i>on the Quad*</i>

### **The Baccalaureate**

Doors open at 10:00am. No tickets are required. The Sommer Center is wheelchair accessible.

### **Morning Refreshments & Luncheon**

Coffee, tea, and juice, as well as other breakfast items can be purchased at The Commons.

Each graduate gets 3 tickets to the Luncheon, additional tickets can be purchased for \$13 each at the cash register or \$12 in advance by calling (914) 337-9300, x2240.

### **\*The Commencement**

Seating begins at 1:30pm. If Commencement is held outdoors, seating is unlimited and tickets are not required. However, chairs cannot be reserved in advance or moved to another location.

\*If weather necessitates Commencement being held indoors, exercises will be held in the Meyer Athletic Center, across White Plains Road/Route 22. In such an event, graduates are limited to 5 guest tickets, which will be in their graduation packet.

The decision to hold ceremonies indoors or out is made by noon Thursday. If there is a question of Commencement being held indoors, please consult the Concordia website at [www.concordia-ny.edu/commencement](http://www.concordia-ny.edu/commencement) or call (914) 337-9300.

Commencement exercises usually conclude by 4:00pm.