

Time-Line for Graduation/Commissioning Ceremony (Photo Ops)

May 28, 2021

Press Briefing (Media Platform)	8:10
Pre-ceremony music (USNA Band)	8:30 – 8:50
*Entrance of Class of '21	9:00 – 9:30
• PHOTO OP: Behind media platforms on each side. Stay <i>outside</i> of the small yellow circle; no getting in front of procession.	
*Academic procession (announced by top graduate)	9:30 – 9:43
• PHOTO OP: Behind media platforms on each side	
Initial Rostrum party	9:45
Music, <i>USNA Band</i>	9:47 – 9:59
Bugle Call	10:00
Rostrum party arrival (<i>Announced by Commandant</i>)	10:01 – 10:03
VP, SECNAV, CMC, CNO, SUPE, PROVOST, DANT	
19-Gun Salute	
*Fly-Over by the Blue Angels	10:04
• PHOTO OP: Behind last row of grads looking at stage	
National Anthem, Soloist (<i>Announced by Commandant</i>)	10:05
Invocation, Chaplain (<i>Announced by Commandant</i>)	10:07
*Remarks, Superintendent (intro of VP)	10:09
• PHOTO OP: Side aisle	
*Remarks, VP	~10:22-10:40
Conferral of Degrees, PROVOST and Superintendent	10:40 – 10:42
*Commissioning of USMC Graduates	10:42 – 10:47
Commandant of the Marine Corps	
• PHOTO/Video OP: Raising hand, taking oath, yelling “I DO”	
*Commissioning of USN Graduates	10:47 – 10:52
Chief of Naval Operations	
• PHOTO/Video OP: Raising hand, taking oath, yelling “I DO”	
Recognition of International graduates, Academic Dean	10:52 – 10:55
• PHOTO/Video OP: Each will stand at their seat	
*Diplomas to distinguished top 110 graduates	10:55 – 11:12
• PHOTO OP: top 10% grads go from stage left to stage right	
*Diplomas to all other graduates	11:12 - 12:25
• PHOTO OP: All other grads, diplomas awarded alphabetically by alternating companies (eg.: 1st & 2nd, then 3rd & 4th, etc.) up center and down each side of stage. Being by the stadium wall near the side (internal videographer platform) is a good area for photos.	
GET READY FOR HAT TOSS. After the announcement of the 30th Company, gather in front of the media platform. Midshipman escorts will lead you up the side to the space in front of the first row of graduating midshipmen.	
Class of '21 presentation of Gifts and Honorary Graduates (listed in program)	12:25 – 12:29
Singing of Navy Blue and Gold	12:29 – 12:31
Three Cheers for those about to leave us (by Class of '22 President)	12:31
Three Cheers for those we leave behind (by Class of '21 Acting President)	12:32
Hat toss (End of ceremony)	~12:32
Personal Swearing-In, Superintendent's tent	1 p.m.