
Minnesota West - Granite Falls

2020 Graduation Information

Tuesday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Yellow Medicine East High School Auditorium

Contact Person: Mary Enestvedt, mary.enestvedt@mnwest.edu or 320-564-5010.

Cap/Gown/Tassel: Your cap, gown and tassel (and cords - if graduating with honors) will be available for pickup at the Granite Fall campus **after** you have submitted the [Application for Graduation](#) and completed your [Loan Exit Counseling](#) (if necessary).

- ❖ Gowns will be available for pickup on Monday - Friday starting on Monday, May 4 in the Student Services area. Hours are Monday - Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon. Your *Financial Aid Exit Counseling* **must** be completed before you can pick up your apparel. Please notify Mary if you are a Veteran so that she can provide you with a special cord. PTK members will be adorned with a gold stole but you need to notify Mary. Make sure your gowns are not wrinkled for ceremony.

Graduation Ceremony: The agenda for Tuesday, May 12:

- 4:30 p.m. Nursing pinning ceremony - (Yellow Medicine East High School Auditorium).
- 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Meal for the graduates & family/friends - (Minnesota West – Cafeteria-Room 205).

The Student Senate is hosting a **Graduate's Reception** held at the Minnesota West Cafeteria from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. **Each graduate can sign up for three free tickets (one for you and two guests). Additional tickets may be purchased for \$7 each. Children the age of two and under are free.** Cash or check (payable to Granite Falls Campus Student Senate) for additional tickets. You must sign up at the Resource Specialist's desk - **deadline is Wednesday, April 29 at 4:00 p.m.**

Menu:

Chicken and Meatballs

Stuffing and Roll/Butter

Cake

Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

Vegetable

Punch, Water or Coffee

Be at the Yellow Medicine High School by 6:30 p.m. dressed in your Cap and Gown!

- 6:30 p.m. Pick up name card - (Yellow Medicine East High School Board Room).
- 6:45 p.m. Line up by program - (Yellow Medicine East High School Hallway).
- 7:00 p.m. Graduation ceremony - (Yellow Medicine East High School Auditorium).

Graduation Procedure

1. Be at Yellow Medicine East High School Board Room by 6:30 p.m. dressed in your cap and gown.

How to Wear Your Graduation Cap and Tassel

The cap should be worn so that one of the points is directly in front, so that if looked at from above the cap would form a diamond on your head. Pull it down snugly so that the top of the cap is flat with your head. It shouldn't be pointing up or resting on top of a hairdo. Proper attire for the Graduation Ceremony is requested of the graduates. Men should wear dress shirt and tie and dress pants, women either a dress or dress pants & shirt. **No jeans, shorts or flip flops!** Although you are wearing a gown, it is still important to look nice. Bring hair pins and do not chew gum.

The tassel should be placed so that it hangs on the right side of your face. Once you have received your diploma and been announced as the graduating class, you should grab the tassel and turn it to the left side. Leave it in this position until you remove your cap after the ceremony.

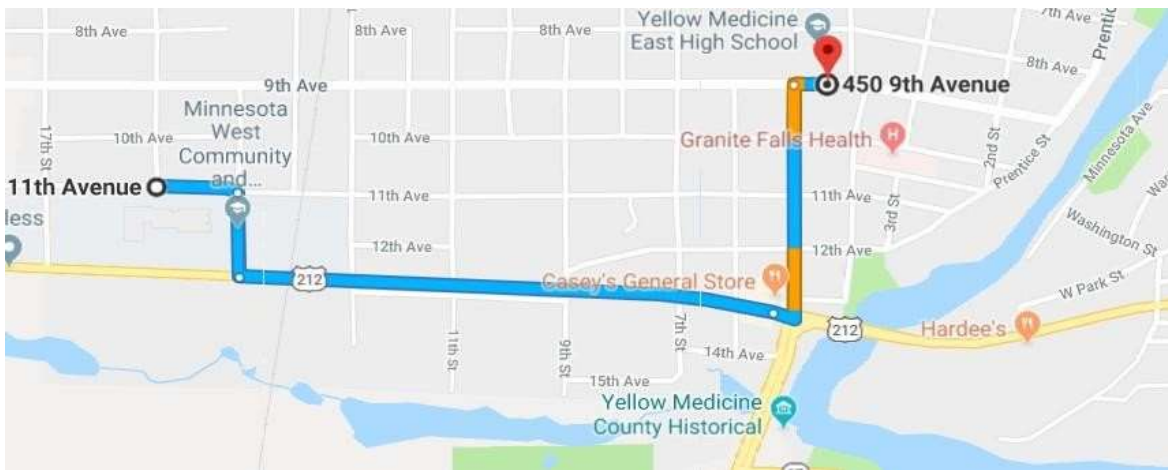
2. Pick up name card and line up in the YME Board Room according to your program. **We will march in at 7:00 p.m. sharp!**
 3. When graduates march in to the seating area, please be seated **immediately!**
 4. Each row rises as directed to receive your diploma cover.
 5. Take the diploma cover in your left hand so your right hand is free to shake hands.
 6. After receiving your diploma cover, return to your row of seats...move in all the way and sit down.
 7. After everyone has received their diploma cover, you will be announced as the graduating Class of 2020 at which time you will move your tassel to the left side.
 8. You will then be directed to rise (one row at a time) to march out for the recessional.
 9. Gowns **MUST** be checked back to the YME Board Room before leaving. You keep the tassel and/or honor cords.
 10. **IMPORTANT: You will not receive a diploma if you owe money.** Make sure that you do your **exit counseling** if you have student loans (www.studentloans.gov). At the Graduation Ceremony, you will be handed an empty cover. **Following Graduation**, you will be mailed your diploma after the grades are finished and a final degree check has been done.
 11. The Minnesota West Educational Policy 3.6 regarding Code of Conduct remains in effect. If you are under the influence of alcohol or drugs or become disruptive, you will be asked to leave.
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Driving Directions

Driving Directions from Granite Falls Campus to Yellow Medicine East High School.

From Minnesota West Community & Technical College:

- 1) Turn right onto 15th Street and go to Hwy 212 - which is south of Minnesota West.
- 2) Turn left onto Hwy 212 - go 10 blocks to the stop lights.
- 3) Turn left (north) onto 5th Street/Granite Street.
- 4) Go 4 blocks. YME is straight ahead. Use front entrance.



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