

# West Point<sup>®</sup>

The United States Military Academy



Class of 2012 Graduation Guide  
May 22-26, 2012



# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## Tuesday, May 22

- 10:20 a.m. Alumni Wreath Ceremony - Thayer Statue
- 11 a.m. Alumni Review - The Plain
- 2:30 p.m. Commandant's Award Ceremony - Eisenhower Hall
- 7:30 p.m. Glee Club Concert – Eisenhower Hall

## Wednesday, May 23

- 1:30 – 3 p.m. \*Superintendent's Reception for 1st Regiment
- 3:30 – 5 p.m. \*Superintendent's Reception for 2nd Regiment
- 7 – 7:45 p.m. Gospel Choir Concert - Mahan Hall
- 8 - 9 p.m. Combined Choir Concert – Cadet Chapel

## Thursday, May 24

- 11 a.m. Superintendent's Award Ceremony - Robinson Aud.
- 1 - 5 p.m. Academic Department Awards - Various locations
- 1:30 – 3 p.m. \*Superintendent's Reception for 3rd Regiment
- 3:30 – 5 p.m. \*Superintendent's Reception for 4th Regiment
- 7 p.m. Baccalaureate Services – Respective chapels  
*Catholic, Protestant, Jewish and Eastern Orthodox*

## Friday, May 25

- 10:30 a.m. Graduation Parade - The Plain
- 2 p.m. Awards Convocation – Eisenhower Hall
- 4:30 - 6 p.m. Pre-Banquet Reception - Eisenhower Hall
- 7 p.m. Banquet - Washington Hall /West Point Club/Thayer Hotel  
Please arrive at your seats **no later than 6:45 p.m.**  
Be prepared for additional security when entering Washington Hall.

## Saturday, May 26

- 7 a.m. Michie Stadium gates open**
- 9 a.m. All guests should be in their seats**
- 9:30 a.m. Arrival of graduating class**
- 10 a.m. GRADUATION CEREMONY**

\*Receptions will be held in the ballroom in Eisenhower Hall.

## TRANSPORTATION & INFORMATION

**Parking** – Lots A-F (in the vicinity of Michie Stadium), Buffalo Soldier Field or as directed, are designated parking areas for graduation week activities. Visitors are encouraged to use shuttle buses as parking in central post is very limited.

**Shuttle buses** will run consistently Wednesday - Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. -11 p.m.

Buses will depart from A Lot. Please walk to the designated stop in A Lot (near Michie Stadium) to pick up the shuttle.

Additional stops are added on Thursday evening for the Baccalaureate services. Families/guests can also park at Buffalo Soldier Field and access shuttle bus service from there (located inside Thayer Gate).

Additional stops are listed below – numbers indicate time after the hour:

Commissary and Exchange (H Lot)	0	30
Exit Stony Lonesome Gate		
Enter Washington Gate		
K Lot		
North Dock	5	35
Eisenhower Hall Tunnel	7	37
West Point Club	10	40
Mahan Hall Tunnel	12	42
Thayer and Mills Intersection	13	43
Buffalo Soldier Field	15	45
Exit Thayer Gate		
Visitors Center (off post)	19	49
Thayer Hotel (exit ramp)	22	52
Reenter Thayer Gate		
Herbert Hall	24	54
Holleder Center	25	55
A-Lot (pick up/drop off)	26	56

### **Restrooms:**

Old Cadet Chapel, Trophy Point, Visitors Center, Cadet Chapel area - see map

### **Telephone Numbers: (845 area code)**

Post Directory: 938-4011	West Point Museum: 938-3590
Central Guard Room: 938-3030	West Point Club: 446-5504
Hospital ER: 938-4004	South Dock: 938-3011
Thayer Hotel: 446-4731	Visitors Center: 938-2638
Military Police: 938-3333	RV and Camping Info: 938-2503
AAFES Gas Station: 446-3666	AAFES (Exchange): 446-5404
Subway: 446-2096	Five Star Inn: 446-5943

**In case of inclement weather,  
call (845) 938-7000 for event status and location.**

## **Hours of Operation For Restaurants and Gift Shops**

### **Restaurants**

**Bistro:** (Bldg 683, adjacent to the MWR Fitness Center):

Mon - Fri 6 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Sun 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Taco Bell:** (Bldg 1204, PX Mall):

Mon - Sat 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Sun 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

**Burger King:** Mon - Sat 9 a.m. - 7 p.m., Sun 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Eisenhower Hall - Ike's Riverside Café:** Fri 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**First Class Club:** Wed - Fri 11 a.m. until one hour before Taps.

**Grant Hall Café:** Mon - Fri 7 a.m.– 10 p.m., Sat 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Grant Hall Chock Café:** Mon - Fri 7 a.m. - 2 p.m. , Sat 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Lil' Skeeters BBQ at the Bowling Center (Bldg. 622):**

Sun 12 - 8 p.m., Mon & Thurs 11:30 a.m. - 9 p.m., Tues & Wed 11:30 a.m. - 8 p.m., Fri 11:30 a.m. - 11 p.m., Sat 11 a.m. - 11 p.m., Sun 12 - 9 p.m.

**Subway (Bldg 683, adjacent to the MWR Fitness Center):**

Mon - Fri 8 a.m.- 8 p.m., Sat 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Sun 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

**The Thayer Hotel:** Daily 7-10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., 5:30-9:30 p.m., Sat Post Graduation Lunch (Reservations Required), Noon - 3 p.m., Sun Brunch 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. (Reservations Required)

**West Point Club:** Mon - Fri, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. - Buffet Lunch, Thursday, Benny Havens Lounge 4:30 - 11 p.m.

**Village of Highland Falls:** Hours vary but a variety of nice options

### **Gift Shops**

**Cadet Store (Building 606 - follow ramp to back of building):**

Mon - Tues - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Wed 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.,  
Thurs - Fri 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

**USMA Bookstore (4th floor, Thayer Hall):**

Mon - Wed 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Thurs - Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Association of Graduates Gift Shop (Herbert Alumni Center):**

Mon - Thurs 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Fri 9:30 a.m. - 8 p.m., Sat 6:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Graduation Only)

**Visitors Center/Gift Shop:** Sun - Sat 9 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.

**DUSA Gift Shop - West Point Museum:** Mon - Thurs 9:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m., Fri - Sun 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

**West Point Women's Club Gift Shop:** Tables will be set up at Ike Hall for the regimental receptions 12-5 p.m.

Shop (see map) open Fri 11 a.m.- 4 p.m.

## Other Information of Interest

**West Point Tours** is offering tours for cadet guests only Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. One-hour tours at 12:45, 1:30, 2, 3:15 and 4:30 p.m.

Two-hour tour (includes cemetery) at 2:45 p.m.

For pricing and additional information, call West Point Tours (845) 446-4724.

**West Point Museum (located behind the Visitors Center)** will be open Mon - Thurs 9:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m., Fri - Sun 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

**Constitution Island** is open for tours on Wednesday and Thursday from 1-5:30 p.m. Boat service from South Dock departs every half hour. Buses will shuttle guests between the Superintendent's Review Box (behind the bleachers on the Plain) to S. Dock. Bus service Noon - 6 p.m. both days.

**Fort Putnam** Mon - Sun 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Nininger Hall** (1st Division Barracks) is open for tours daily 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

### Good things to know for Graduation Day

Gates to the stadium will open at 7 a.m. Please be seated by 9 a.m.

The graduating class will begin their March On at 9:30 a.m.

Large bags will not be permitted.

Shuttle buses will run throughout the day. Please see back of guide for routes and schedule.

Only **ONE** person allowed to accompany handicapped family member for shuttle transportation. Wheelchairs are not provided by West Point.

**Due to a construction project at Garrison Landing Yacht Club, the West Point Ferry will NOT be operational for graduation! Please make alternate arrangements if taking the train. (Updated Friday, May 18, 2012)**

Concessions will be available including breakfast items and bottled water.

Once the ceremony is complete, the stadium will remain closed until the guest speaker has departed.

Identify a meeting location for your graduate, family and guests following the ceremony.

**Hat Toss** – At the end of the graduation ceremony, the graduates will toss their hats into the air in celebration. Children must be between the ages of 6 and 10 years old and must be between 42 and 54 inches tall. Hats are limited to one per child.

**Graduation shuttle buses will be available to transport guests to Central Post Area for commissioning ceremonies.**

**Buses will run continuously from the Superintendent's Review Box to the various parking lots until 4 p.m.**

## **Graduation Day Shuttle Service - Four Main Routes**

**RED:** Pick up point - H (Commissary/PX) and D Lot, drop-off at A lot.  
Access stadium via Gates 6/6A

**GREEN:** Pick up point - Buffalo Soldier Field (inside Thayer Gate), drop-off at intersection of Howze Place and Fenton Road (near Truxtun Lacrosse Center.) Access stadium via Gate 7, 6 and 6A

**BLUE:** Pick up points - Target Hill Field, Thayer Extension, K-Lot (near WP cemetery), Elementary School and Keller Army Community Hospital, drop off in A Lot. Access stadium via Gates 7, 6 and 6A.

**Handicapped Shuttle:** H Lot (Commissary/PX lot) to Gate 6 (seating is on upper level of lower stands) and Gate 1 (seating is on the field).

### **Security Message**

West Point is operating under a heightened security posture. All visitors must enter through Thayer or Stony Lonesome gates only and should expect minor delays.

All persons 16 and older are required to show the security guards at the gates a valid, gov't issued photo ID and must keep the ID in their possession at all times.

All vehicles entering the installation are subject to being searched, including those with DoD decals.

Visitors attending events associated with Grad Week are strongly encouraged to use the shuttle bus system, as parking is limited.

On graduation day all visitors must pass through additional security measures prior to entering Michie Stadium. Please arrive early.

The following items will not be allowed into the stadium: large bags, backpacks, coolers, umbrellas and all beverage containers (glass or plastic), knives or any firearms. Please plan accordingly.

As guests at West Point, we ask for your vigilance. Your help in the detection and reporting of criminal activities will help ensure that this year's graduation is a success. Anyone observing suspicious behavior or activity is urged to promptly report it to the Military Police at the number below.

***REMEMBER, IF YOU HEAR SOMETHING, SEE SOMETHING,  
SAY SOMETHING!***

### **Emergency contact numbers**

Military Police (845) 938-3333

Highland Falls Police Department (845) 446-4911

### **Graduation Day only**

West Point Emergency Operations Center (845) 938-6909

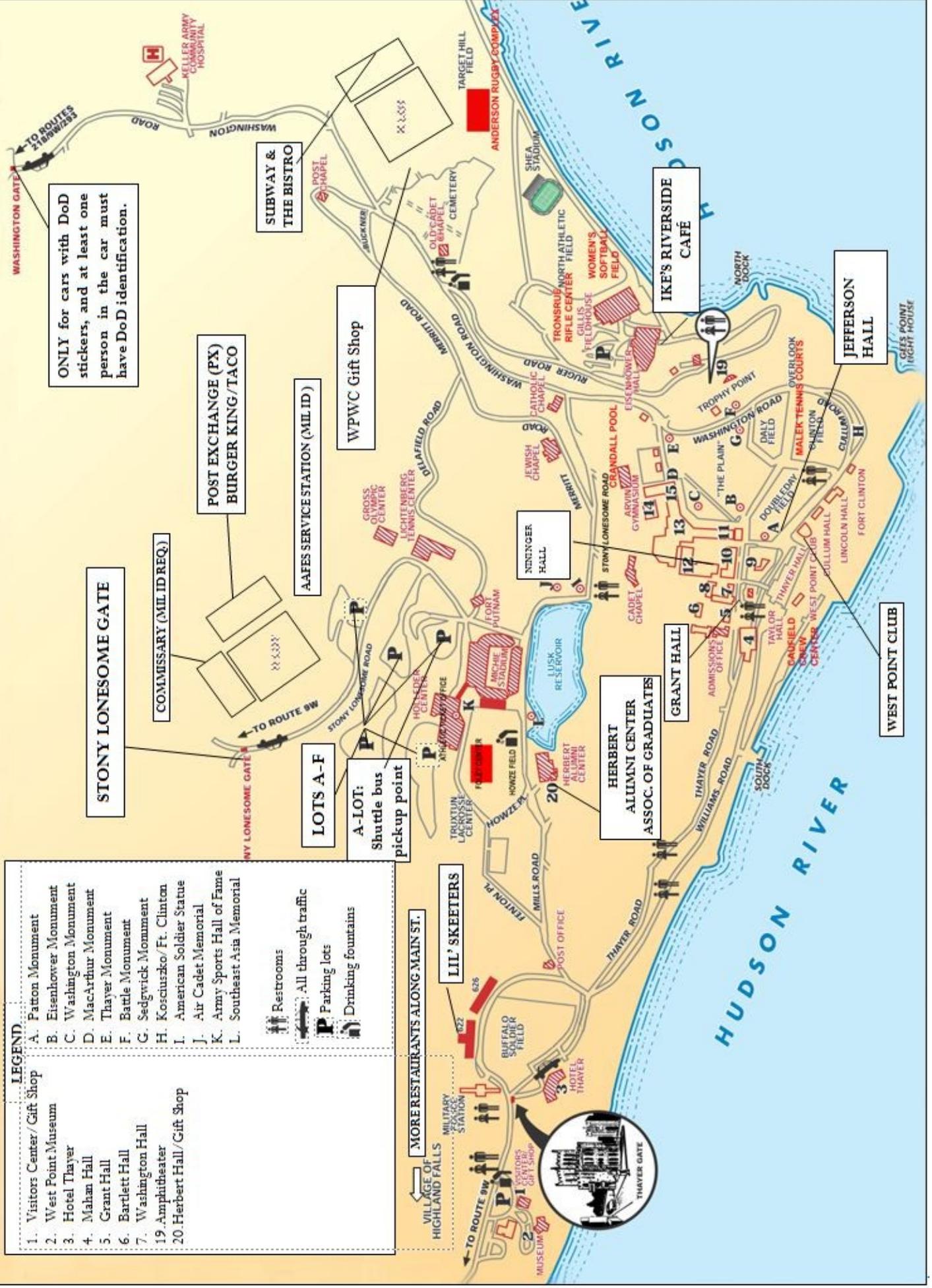
\* If calling 911 on West Point you must tell the operator that you are on West Point. The operator will divert your call to the Military Police.

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# MAP OF WEST POINT

- LEGEND**
- 1. Visitors Center/Gift Shop
  - 2. West Point Museum
  - 3. Hotel Thayer
  - 4. Mahan Hall
  - 5. Grant Hall
  - 6. Bartlett Hall
  - 7. Washington Hall
  - 19. Amphitheater
  - 20. Herbert Hall/Gift Shop
- A. Patton Monument
  - B. Eisenhower Monument
  - C. Washington Monument
  - D. MacArthur Monument
  - E. Thayer Monument
  - F. Battle Monument
  - G. Sedgwick Monument
  - H. Kosciuszko/Ft. Clinton
  - I. American Soldier Statue
  - J. Air Cadet Memorial
  - K. Army Sports Hall of Fame
  - L. Southeast Asia Memorial
- Restrooms
  - All through traffic
  - Parking lots
  - Drinking fountains



ONLY for cars with DoD stickers, and at least one person in the car must have DoD identification.

STONY LONESOME GATE

POST EXCHANGE (PX)  
BURGER KING/TACO

SUBWAY & THE BISTRO

AAFES SERVICE STATION (MIL ID)

WPWC Gift Shop

IKE'S RIVERSIDE CAFE

JEFFERSON HALL

WEST POINT CLUB

COMMISSARY (MIL ID REQ.)

LOTS A-F  
A-LOT: Shuttle bus pickup point

HERBERT ALUMNI CENTER  
ASSOC. OF GRADUATES

GRANT HALL

LIL' SKEETERS

MORE RESTAURANTS ALONG MAIN ST.

