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HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION GUIDE

Tsongas Center
AT UMASS LOWELL

PAUL F. TSONGAS CENTER AT UMASS LOWELL

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General Information

Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell
is located on the campus of
University of Massachusetts Lowell

Address

Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell
300 Martin Luther King Jr. Way,
Lowell, MA 01852

Telephone Number

(978)-934-5738

Website

www.tsongascenter.com

Social Media

Tag us in your photos on Graduation Day!



Graduation Schedule



Sunday, June 1st
Lexington High School



Monday, June 2nd
Andover High School



Wednesday, June 4th
Lowell High School



Thursday, June 5th
Bedford High School



Friday, June 6th
Greater Lowell Technical
High School



Saturday, June 7th
Chelmsford High School



Parking Information and Directions

The Tsongas Center parking lots are available for all events held at the Tsongas Center. Located right next to the venue the parking lots at the Tsongas Center are perfect place to park leaving you steps from the ceremony

Parking is sold in advance through our partner ParkMobile. Purchase using this LINK. Any remaining inventory will be sold on the day of the event in the parking lot.

Parking is \$20

Directions



Please plan your visit to the Tsongas Center in advance. Travel to the venue may take longer than expected due to high volume traffic. Guest should plan to arrive an hour prior to ceremony. If using a GPS on your smart phone use the address 300 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Lowell, MA 01852.

There are numerous parking garages surrounding the Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell.

- **George Ayotte Garage:** Located next to the Tsongas Center Parking Lot B.
- **Joseph Downes Garage:** Quick .4 mile 8 minute walk to the Tsongas Center.
- **Leo A. Roy Garage:** Located Downtown Lowell and is a short 11 minute .5 mile walk.

Security Checks & Tickets



For the safety and security of our guests and staff, Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell employs the use of walkthrough metal detectors for all events taking place at the venue. Patrons who require alternative screening options due to medical or accessibility reasons may request this upon arrival at the venue. Guests that refuse to submit to either a walkthrough, wand or pat-down search shall be refused entry.



Tsongas Center Bag Policy:

In order to maintain a safe and secure environment at the Tsongas Center we have implemented a new bag policy that limits the size and type of bags that may be brought into our venue.

Guests will be able to carry ONE of the following bags into the Tsongas Center:

- One-gallon clear plastic freezer bag (Ziploc bag or similar).
- One bag that is clear plastic, vinyl, or PVC and does not exceed 12" x 12" x 6".
- Small clutch bags, which CANNOT exceed 6.5" x 4.5" in size, with or without a handle or strap.
- All bags within clear plastic bags cannot exceed 6.5" x 4.5" in size.

The full bag policy can be found at tsongascenter.com/bag



Tickets & Seating

Please contact the graduates High School directly for ticketing information. Tickets will not be sold or distributed at the Tsongas Center Box office.

Seating is on a first come first serve basis unless in premium seating and/or a suite. Guest interested in sitting together should arrive together.

Information for Individuals with Disabilities

★ Accessible seating is located throughout the arena with locations dependent upon the type of event and location of the stage. Guests who need accessible seating, for the ceremony and did not receive tickets in an accessible area will be accommodated to the best of our ability.

★ **Elevators**

The Tsongas Center offers one public elevator and is accessible from either the East Entrance or the Main Entrance of the Tsongas Center.

★ **Service Animals**

All service animals are welcomed at the Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell. Please notify the school at the time of purchase if an aisle seat is required.

★ **Accessible Parking**

The Tsongas Center offers a limited number of accessible parking spaces, including van spaces, in lot B of the Tsongas Center parking lots. Please note that all parking spaces are first come first serve, we advise you to arrive early.

Premium Seating Opportunities – Suite Rentals



Renting a luxury suite with the Tsongas Center includes:

- Suite that fits up to 20 people
- 4 free parking passes
- Personalized sales person
- Ability to pre-order catering for the event
- Waitstaff during the event

Contact Our Sales Team

Email: GroupSales@uml.edu Call/Text: 978-934-5738

Tsongas Center Frequently Asked Questions



What time do doors open for each ceremony?

Doors open one hour (60 minutes) before each ceremony.



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Is there an ATM inside the building?

There are two. One in the lobby along the west side windows and one on the concourse level behind section 106.



Can I smoke when attending the event?

The Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell is smoke and tobacco free as a part of the smoke free campus of UMass Lowell. All tobacco products including vapes will not be allowed into the Tsongas Center.



Can I bring my camera to the ceremony?

The general rule in regards to camera is that non-professional cameras are allowed.



Can I bring outside food and beverage to the ceremony?

The Tsongas Center prohibits all outside food and beverages from being brought into the venue. If you have an allergy or medical/dietary restrictions that requires you to carry a specific item please contact our box office.



Where is the lost and found located?

Lost and Found is located at the front desk of administration office of OVG office in the main lobby of the Tsongas Center. Articles found during an event are stored for 30 days. For more information, please call (978) 934-5738.

Where to Stay?



Courtyard by Marriott

270 Concord Rd, Billerica, MA 01821

(978) 670-7500

Website: <https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/bosbb-courtyard-boston-billerica-bedford/overview/>



Sonesta Select Boston Lowell Chelmsford

30 Industrial Ave E, Lowell, MA 01852

(978) 458-7575

Website: <https://www.sonesta.com/sonesta-select/ma/lowell/sonesta-select-boston-lowell-chelmsford>



Hilton Garden Inn Tewksbury Andover

4 Highwood Dr, Tewksbury, MA 01876

(978) 640-9000

Website: <https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/bedtmgi-hilton-garden-inn-tewksbury-andover/>

Where to Eat?



Cobblestones of Lowell

91 Dutton St, Lowell, MA 01852

(978) 970-2282

Website: <https://cobblestonesoflowell.com/>



El Jefe Taco Bar

203 Cabot St, Lowell, MA 01854

(978) 677-7599

Website: <http://www.legendofeljefe.com/>



Worthen House Cafe

141 Worthen St, Lowell, MA 01852

(978) 459-0300

Website: <https://www.worthenhousecafe.com/>