## Commencement 2013

Education that Works

Total CCC completions are up more than $20 \%$ since the launch of Reinvention; degrees awarded up nearly $80 \%$ over the same period, highest in more than two decades


All colleges have experienced double-digit growth in degrees awarded since Reinvention launched, with three colleges near or above 100\% growth


In 2013, we expect increases in the percentage of degrees awarded at all colleges


Out of 39 IL community colleges, City Colleges had the greatest percentage increase in degrees awarded between 2011 and 2012, more than $4 x$ the average


## 2013 Participation

Graduates
1,954
graduates have confirmed with ticket requests.

## Faculty \& Staff

## Guests

More than 600 faculty and staff will be participating.

1625 graduates received 4
Pavilion guest tickets.
329 graduates received 4 UIC Tent tickets.

## Ticket Distribution

## 1,954 <br> graduates

7,816 guest tickets distributed

## Overage of 1370

An overflow tent will accommodate guests.
Pavilion tickets were distributed on a first come, first serve basis until depleted.
1650 graduates can be accommodated with 4 Pavilion tickets.
304 graduates will have 4 tent tickets.

## UIC Capacity



## Total Pavilion Capacity 8900 seats

Guest seating - 6446
Graduate seating - 1954
Pavilion floor - 1800
Section 109-154
Processional volunteers included
Faculty \& Staff - 500
Mezzanine - 500 reserved

## Event Duration Strategies

## Stay Within The 3-hour Event Time

Cut load-in time 50\%
(from 40 minutes to 20 minutes)
4 lines of student procession entering simultaneously
Faculty process from the mezzanine level

## Streamline conferral process

Use of scanner system
Graduates across the stage in 3 seconds
Tighter production management
Little to no down time transitioning between colleges

## Engage the Attendees \& Personalize Degree Conferral Visuals

Keep graduates, families and friends engaged in the program, so they remain in their seats for the duration of the event.

## Marching Orders Technology

- Spotlights each graduate
- Controls stage flow
- Post event messaging to graduate guests - provides a reason for graduates to encourage their guests to remain in their seats for the entire event


## Personalized JumboTron Screen



CITY COLLEGES of CHICAGO
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Education that Works

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# Personalized Messages to Graduate's Family and Friends 

Shaunda Taylor, Kennedy-King College I love you Mom, Thomas, and Sarah. We did it!

## Top FIVE for reasons for ONE Commencement

- Celebrates the achievements of all of CCC/One District
- Recognizes that an estimated $45 \%$ of our students take classes at more than one of our colleges
- Allows for economies of scales in not paying 7 sets of vendors etc.
- Creates unique setting for memorable event
- Too many graduates and guests to fit at the colleges!


## Commencement Capacity per College

## Based on distribution of 4 guest tickets per tickets

DA

Gymnasium
Max capacity - 1300
Faculty and staff
seating 200
Total seating
available for grads and guests

- 1100

Max grads - 275
2013 graduates -
464

WR

Gymnasium
Max capacity - 1000
Faculty and staff seating 200

Total seating available for grads and guests - 800

Max grads - 175
2013 graduates 884

## KKC

## Gymnasium

Max capacity - 1200
Faculty and staff seating 200
Total seating available for grads and guests - 1000

Max grads - 200 2013 graduates 444

In-house capacity is inferior to expected number of participants at UIC Friday

## Commencement Capacity per College <br> Based on distribution of 4 guest tickets per tickets

## TR

Gymnasium
Max capacity - 1200
Faculty and staff seating 200
Total seating available for grads and guests - 1000

Max grads - 200
2013 graduates 662

## MXC

Gymnasium
Max capacity - 1200
Faculty and staff seating 200
Total seating available for grads and guests - 1000

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## OHC

Gymnasium
Max capacity - 1200
Faculty and staff seating 200
Total seating available for grads and guests - 1000

Max grads - 200 2013 graduates 359

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## Commencement Capacity per College

 Based on distribution of 4 guest tickets per graduate
## HWC



## Victims of Our Own Success

## Higher number of degrees will pose challenges

## Larger venue may be needed

- To accommodate graduates and their guests
- To provide parking for graduates and guests


## Longer program means

- More time to process the graduates into the venue
- More time to call each graduate's name to receive their diploma

Options here are limited and costly.

