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Dear Western family:

We cordially invite you to celebrate the graduation of your student at Western's Spring Commencement ceremony scheduled for 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 7, in the Mountaineer Bowl.

The outdoor commencement in Western's beautiful mountain setting is extraordinary—something our graduating seniors genuinely want their family and friends to experience. But to truly enjoy this event, one must be prepared as May weather in Gunnison is unpredictable. Please bring plenty of warm clothes and blankets for the ceremony, which should last about two hours. While we acknowledge the uncertainty of the weather, sunny skies are the norm throughout the year in Gunnison. Don't forget sunscreen and sunglasses!

For your convenience, we hired a professional photography company to document each graduate receiving their diploma. Information on viewing and ordering these photos will be provided to students. We will livestream the ceremony on our website for family and friends who cannot attend. Seating is also available in the University Center Theater to watch a livestream of commencement.

I'd like to personally invite each graduate's family and friends to join us after the ceremony for drinks and appetizers on the first floor of the University Center from 12-1:30 p.m. For more information and ongoing updates about the weekend's events, including a link to our livestream on May 7, please refer to our website at [western.edu/graduation](http://western.edu/graduation).

Congratulations on the graduation of your student. I look forward to meeting you next month as we celebrate the conclusion of a successful year, and the advancement of your student to the next level of learning and service.

With kind regards,

Nancy Chisholm  
Interim President