



Graduation vs. Conferring of Degrees **Are you ready?**

To keep things simple, there are only a few tips to remember:

- 1) McDowell Tech confers degrees three times a year: December (Fall), May (Spring), and August (Summer). Degrees can only be conferred once a student applies to graduate.
- 2) Students should apply to graduate one semester "prior" to graduation. Graduation applications can be picked up in Student Services or emailed. (jpadgett@mcdowelltech.edu)
- 3) There is a \$15 fee for degrees, diplomas, and/or certificates. Once paid, degree completion will be marked as complete on the transcript with the date.
- 4) The graduation ceremony has been moved to May. It is optional for all students. If you are taking summer classes and want to participate, as long as you are within 10 hours or one semester of completing degree, you may participate.

For additional questions, please contact:

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