Inclement weather plan for Ohio University Commencement

If commencement cannot be held in Peden Stadium due to inclement weather, the ceremony must be canceled. At this time, no indoor facility on campus can accommodate the graduating class and guests. Every reasonable effort will be made to hold commencement as planned.

If it is raining or rain is forecast on commencement day, graduates and guests should come prepared with appropriate rain gear. Ponchos, raincoats and something to cover wet bleachers are advised for guests. Umbrellas are permitted in Peden stadium during commencement, but we ask that you be mindful of other guests.

If weather is severe enough (heavy rain, thunderstorms, tornado watch/warning) to necessitate a delay in the start of the ceremony, instructions will be announced on site to graduates and guests. After delaying the ceremony for as much as one hour, if the forecast indicates no change in the severity of the weather, cancellation of the ceremony will be announced, and instruction will appear on the video board.

If the ceremony is underway but is interrupted by severe weather, graduates and guests should follow instructions as announced. It is advised that you prearrange a meeting place with your family and guests in case the ceremony is canceled.