Main Ceremony, 10 a.m.
Fine Arts Terrace, Quad
The all-university main ceremony kicks off the day on the Fine Arts Terrace with the main commencement speaker. Doctoral and education specialists’ diplomas are awarded during this ceremony. All other graduates move their tassels from one side to the other to signify their status as graduates.
9 a.m.: All graduates and faculty must be in their line at 9 a.m. between Lucina Hall and Ball Gym. Graduates should line up behind their college banner wearing their cap and gown. Guests need to be seated by 9:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.: Processional begins. Graduates walk in to Pomp and Circumstance.
10 a.m.: The ceremony begins once all graduates are at their seats and the platform party has taken the stage.

College of Architecture and Planning Ceremony, 12:30 p.m.
Jo Ann Gora Student Recreation and Wellness Center
After the main ceremony, each of Ball State’s seven colleges celebrates with its own ceremony. Here, the graduate’s name is announced while crossing the stage. Every grad receives a diploma cover and has a photo taken.
Lineup information: Graduates line up in the hall between the courts and the turf on the lower level. Do not enter through the Field Sports Building (RC) as another ceremony is scheduled for that location. Graduates will receive a name card to complete so their name can be read correctly. The photographer will use the graduate’s contact information from the card to notify them when their photos are ready to view online.
For disability seating assistance or questions, see event staff wearing yellow shirts or vests.

Reception, 2 p.m.
Architecture Building (AB) Atrium
Immediately after the ceremony, cross Neely Avenue to the Architecture Building for a reception for graduates and their families.