



Graduation Dinner Itinerary

Uchenna Academy | June 15, 2023

6:00pm **Welcome and Reception:**

- Guests arrive and are greeted by Event Coordinators
- Music playing in the background
- Graduates and their families take photos.

6:30pm **Opening Remarks:**

- Ceremony Host welcomes everyone; express gratitude for attendance and celebrate the graduates' achievements.
- Set the tone for the evening.

6:40pm **Dinner:**

- Meal service begins – Event Coordinators assist with food and drinks
- Guests are seated at their assigned tables.

7:00pm **Speeches:**

- Coaches Address:
 - John Clara
 - Mike Smith
 - Rohan Fisher
- Faculty Address:
 - Farideh Shahriari
 - Zeenat Shahidullah
 - Claudia Mandekic
 - Dave McNee
- Student address:
 - Valedictorian delivers a speech on behalf of their fellow graduates, sharing memories, gratitude, and aspirations.

7:40pm **Diploma Awards:**

- The Principal presents diplomas to the graduates.
- Ceremony Host assists with calling each graduate's name
 - Graduates walk across the stage to receive their diploma.

8:00pm **Recognition and Awards:**

- Event Coordinators announce and present awards:
 - Academic Excellence award
 - Student Athlete of the year award (x2)
 - Rick Keane hard work award
 - Valedictorian award



8:15pm **Alumni Welcome:**

- 2021-2022 Valedictorian, Ryan Carvalho, welcomes the new graduates to the alumni community.

8:25pm **Closing Remarks:**

- Ceremony Host offers closing remarks.
 - Thank the guests, faculty, and staff for their support.
 - Encourage graduates to cherish their memories and continue pursuing their dreams.

8:30pm **Dessert and Socializing:**

- Desserts are served.
- Graduates, families, and guests take photos and celebrate.

8:50pm **Farewell and Conclusion:**

- Thank everyone once again for attending and celebrating with the graduates.
- Encourage guests to have a safe journey home.