

## MEMO

TO: Advisors, Council Officers, Fraternity & Sorority Life Members
FROM: Edward Kincheon, Fraternity & Sorority Life Coordinator
DATE: Wednesday, July 5, 2023
RE: Greek Graduation Ceremonies/Song Fest

I hope this correspondence finds you staying safe and well. Following the Summer 2023 Commencement ceremony on Friday, August 4, 2023, The Fraternity & Sorority Life community will gather in our respective areas to congratulate and send off our graduating members. The tradition the FAMU FSL community created is one that can be emotionally felt and heard across campus – Song Fest. The gathering around and joining hands one last time to chant, step and pray over the future of our line brothers/sisters and fellow chapter members symbolically and physically represent each organization's fraternal bond.

Implemented fall 2021 (12.1.21), and continuing on through the foreseeable future, until otherwise specified, the Song Fest Memo will continue to stand. In anticipation of the upcoming graduations, this memorandum serves to inform the FSL community that no organization will be permitted to conduct their chapter graduate ceremony in front of any location other than their own designated chapter plot or under the Bragg Memorial Stadium Bleachers near Gate 17 (East Side) or at the opposite end of the eastside bleachers (section K). The use of audio/speakers is prohibited. No organization will be allowed to gather in front of or near:

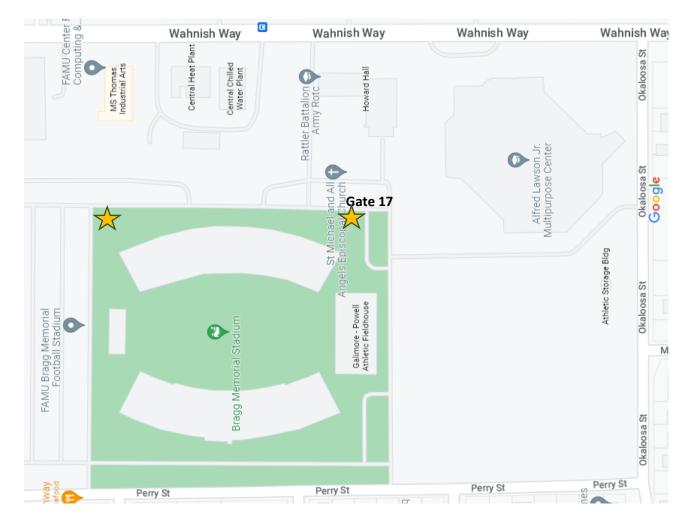
- Gaither Gym or Gaither Lawn
- The CASS Building and Snake statue
- A.L. Lawson or its sidewalks, green spaces, or driveway area(s)

All Songfest-related activities and ceremonies must be completed 45 minutes after commencement has concluded.

We are working alongside the Department of Campus Safety and Security to ensure we do not slow down or obstruct the flow of foot or vehicle traffic on sidewalks or traffic intersections while conducting our respective ceremonies.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us. We will be happy to assist you.





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