INSTITUTE GRADUATION

WHEN: April 2021

Applications available: January 2021

Are you on track to earn your diploma? The requirements are shown below. If you are graduating and/or leaving this semester, please come talk to Sister Wright at the Bookstore so she can help you in receiving your diploma.

WHY a diploma?

The best answer you can receive to the why, is by asking the One who knows yourself. Promise: if you sincerely ask Heavenly Father about the importance of Institute, and how He feels about earning a diploma, He will teach you!

Here is a powerful promise from President Nelson: "Graduating from Institute will increase your ability to excel in the most important things you will ever do in life. True joy will be yours!" What a great promise! If you make His education a priority, He will help you with your secular education. That is a promise!

Let's continue with the *how* of earning a diploma, but if you'd like to hear/read more on the why, information is included at the end.

HOW do I earn one?

Graduation Requirements:

All 4 Cornerstone classes (8 credits)

3 different elective classes (6 credits)

You can check your progress on the Seminary and Institute APP, or at myinstitute.churchofjesuschrist.org. Under *graduation*, it will show you how many more credits you need in Cornerstone classes, and in Elective classes.

If you'd like to see possible *make up classes*, or have any other questions, please feel free to contact Sister Wright in the Institute Bookstore.

Good luck with the rest of the semester! You can do it!

Best Wishes,

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More thoughts on the WHY of receiving an Institute Diploma:

Follow the link for a short, powerful clip from Elder Clark of why graduating from institute is important. https://tinyurl.com/y8ko4s34

No, the diploma is not essential to your eternal salvation, but a diploma DOES show:

- Your desire to be obedient, diligent, and hard working
- The completion of a systematic, extensive study of the gospel
- Your readiness to be leaders and to help prepare others for the Savior's Return

Do you have a patriarchal blessing? A missionary nametag? A young women's medallion? Scouting awards? These are examples of records and reminders of hard work, sacrifice, spiritual moments, and dedication. This is what a diploma is – a record and reminder of your work, your sacrifice, your spiritual moments, and your dedication. If you are going to put in the work, you are going to get more out of it, and why not celebrate that with a reminder? Don't leave a goal undone!

As Elder Clark said, graduating from Institute will solidify your gospel understanding, deepen your testimony and commitment to the Lord, and help you know and love Jesus Christ. The Lord needs people ready to lead, who know and study the gospel. This is a step of preparation for those willing to accept it, and He will use those who have prepared themselves.

We hope you will seriously consider earning a diploma but encourage you to join us here regardless!