April 22, 2013

Dear Prospective Graduate:

The Peirce College 2013 Commencement Ceremony will be held on Monday, June 10, 2013 in Verizon Hall at The Kimmel Center for Performing Arts, Broad and Spruce Streets, Philadelphia, PA. All graduates are required to report to the Kimmel Center promptly at 5:30 p.m. All guests must be seated by 6:15 p.m. The procession of graduates will begin promptly at 6:45 p.m.

Lisa Johnson Nutter, First Lady of Philadelphia, will be the 2013 Keynote Speaker for Commencement. Lisa Nutter is President of Philadelphia Academies, Inc., a non-profit youth development organization that works in Philadelphia’s public high schools to provide career-based learning experiences to motivate young people to stay engaged in school. Ms. Nutter has a B.S. in Psychology from the Pennsylvania State University and an M.A. in City Planning from the University of Pennsylvania. In 2005, she completed a year-long fellowship in the Emerging Leaders Program which is administered by the Centre for Leadership and Public Values at the University of Cape Town (South Africa) and Duke University. We are honored to have Lisa Nutter participate with the Peirce Community as we honor the class of 2013.

Enclosed you will find the following materials:

- Student Instructions (includes ticket and cap & gown ordering information)
- An FAQ document
- Brochure (includes ring, frames, and graduation pictures information)
- Graduate Studies Brochure (includes information about Peirce’s first master’s program in Organizational Leadership and Management that begins fall 2013).

You are encouraged to read commencement information at http://peirce.edu/Current/Graduation/Default. Materials posted on this website will be updated periodically. In addition, you are encouraged to visit the Kimmel Center website at http://www.kimmelcenter.org/planning/ to view more details about the Kimmel Center and its resources. Students requesting disability accommodations must contact Meryl Silver, Student Disability Services Coordinator at 888.GO.PEIRCE, ext. 9251 or MLSilver@peirce.edu.

Tell us your story (optional). This summary can include your experiences at Peirce as well as lessons learned and/or challenges that you overcame while taking your academic journey. If you have a Peirce legacy (family members you are graduating with or family who previously graduated from Peirce), let us know. Please email your story to commencement@peirce.edu. Remember to sign your name and provide contact information with your submission.

If you need additional information or would like to provide feedback about our 2013 Commencement Ceremony plans and processes, please contact me at 888.GO.PEIRCE, ext. 9265 or email commencement@peirce.edu. I look forward to seeing you at this wonderful celebration!

Sincerely,

Rita Toliver-Roberts, Ed.D
Vice President, Academic Advancement