

Madison Junior School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are entering a very exciting time of the year where we will be celebrating the achievements of our eighth grade students. Enclosed is information about the 8th grade events that will soon be upon us. We hope this helps you plan for the end of the school year.

The MJS 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony will be held on Friday, June 18th, at 10:30 A.M. We want this milestone to be a special and memorable occasion for all of our students and their families. We are planning for a live ceremony on the back field at MJS. Seats will be socially distanced at the outdoor ceremony and families are encouraged to sit together. Tickets are not required to attend the outdoor ceremony.

In the event of inclement weather, the promotion ceremony will be held at Fairleigh Dickinson University in the Ferguson Recreation Center Gymnasium. **Due to current restrictions on indoor capacity, each student will be permitted to have only three guests in attendance at the indoor venue.** Admission tickets are included in this mailing.

Please remember:

- 8th grade graduates should report to MJS at their regularly scheduled start time of 7:50 A.M.
- Guest seating on the back field will be on a first come, first serve basis beginning at 9:30 A.M.
- The ceremony will last about 90 minutes to ensure that parents with younger children have the opportunity to attend the Clap Out at the elementary schools.
- In the event of inclement weather, students are to report directly to the Ferguson Recreation Center Gym at FDU with their parents/guardians at

9:30 A.M. Only students that require transportation to FDU should report to MJS on the morning of promotion.

I look forward to recognizing the achievements of all our eighth grade students. Please contact the main office with any questions.

Sincerely,

BrookePhillips

L. Brooke Phillips Acting Principal

8TH GRADE END OF YEAR AND PROMOTION EVENT CALENDAR

Friday, June 11 8th Grade Social & Dance 6:00-8:00 P.M. (Rain date June 14)
Monday, June 14 8th Grade Breakfast, 8:00-9:00 A.M. (Rain date June 16)
Monday, June 14 8th Grade Yearbook Party, 9:00-11:00 A.M. (Rain date June 16)
Tuesday, June 15th Moving Up Day at Madison High School 1:00 P.M.

Thursday, June 17th Awards Assembly, 9:30 A.M.

Friday, June 18th Promotion Ceremony, 10:30 A.M.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

8th GRADE SOCIAL

In order to comply with current social distancing protocols a majority of the event will take place outside on the back field and side black top. There will be a DJ for dancing along with activities such as Corn Hole, Ultimate Frisbee and Tug of War. Comfortable clothes are highly recommended. While it is a beach theme, please remember it is a school event and standard Dress Code Guidelines apply.

MOVING UP DAY

Students will begin the school day at MJS. At 12:40 P.M., students along with their 8th grade teachers will walk to Madison High School. Once at the high school, students will be grouped into pods and paired with Peer Group Connection (PGC) leaders. They will eat lunch and then participate in a field day type experience which includes ice breaker activities on the upper soccer field. Students will then be given a tour of MHS. Please be sure that your child either brings a lunch to school or picks up a school lunch at dismissal from MJS. Please note that all 8th grade students will be dismissed from Madison High School at 3:00P.M. Parents can pick up students at MHS starting at 3:00 P.M.

AWARDS PROGRAM

This student only assembly is to recognize the academic achievement, perfect attendance, student council, music, art, drama, and sports of our student body. Parents/Guardians will be contacted if their child is receiving an award.

PROMOTION CEREMONY

Single session – 12:40 P.M. dismissal (No periods 789)

We plan to hold a live, outdoor promotion ceremony on the back field at MJS. Seats will be socially distanced and families are encouraged to sit together. Tickets are not required to attend the outdoor ceremony. Access to guest seating on the field will begin at 9:30 A.M. Pictures can be taken during and after the promotion ceremony.

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Dress Code for Promotion:

Dress pants, shirt and tie and dress shoes.

Dress, skirt, or dress pants and blouse.

No jeans, no sneakers.

There is no color requirement - wear what is you!!

On June 18th, once the ceremony is completed, students will return their gowns to their assigned homeroom, where they will then receive their official diploma.