



May 2018

Dear Eighth Grade Endeavour Students and Parents:

We want to bring to your attention the requirements for **End-of-the-Year Eighth Grade Activities** as stated in the EMS Handbook.

Students must meet the following standards to participate in the end of year activities, including the Promotion Dance, and the Magic Mountain Trip:

1. Students must have a "C" in citizenship for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and a minimum of two other quarters.
2. Students must have achieved a total cumulative 3.66 GPA (Semester 1 GPA + Semester 2 GPA), excluding Homeroom and Citizenship grades.
3. Only eligible currently enrolled and promoting eighth grade EMS students are permitted to participate in end of year activities. NO guests are allowed.
4. All outstanding fees (textbooks, library books, cafeteria accounts, etc.) must be paid.
5. Any student who is suspended from regular school activities is ineligible for any extracurricular activities taking place on that day including end of year activities such as Magic Mountain Trip, Promotion Dance, and Promotion Ceremony.
6. Any 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> grade student or **ineligible** 8<sup>th</sup> grade student who attends Magic Mountain Fun Day is in violation of school rules and State law (because he or she is thus truant). Any promoting 8<sup>th</sup> grade student who is ineligible to attend Magic Mountain but attends anyway, will not walk at promotion.

This is not in the EMS Handbook but is for your information. If a student has had his or her bus privileges taken away or has a bus ticket at the time of the Magic Mountain Fun Day they will not be allowed to ride the bus to Magic Mountain thus they will not be able to attend.

**Promotion Ceremony**

Only students who have met stated criteria and are eligible to be promoted to 9<sup>th</sup> grade may participate in promotion ceremonies. Board Policy (5123) states:

A student academically eligible for 8<sup>th</sup> grade promotion may be denied participation in the promotion ceremony for any of the following reasons (4.4.1). On suspension or recommended for expulsion at the time of promotion (4.4.1.1). The decision to revoke promotion privileges remains with the principal of the school (4.4.2).

\*For the entire policy on Promotion requirements please refer to page 16 of the LSD Student Handbook.

**Promotion Ceremony Information**

Ceremonies are by student's LAST NAME	Ceremony Time	Students arrive at Westside of Cafeteria
Last names: A-F and Mr. Helme's class	7:30am	7:15am
Last names: G-M and Ms. Baer's (Miller) class	9:00am	8:45am
Last names: N-Z	10:30am	10:15am

- Seating is limited. 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will only attend ceremonies in which they are participating. Please limit attendees to immediate family only. We encourage you to find sitters for small children. Due to space limitations, please do not bring strollers/baby carriers to the ceremonies.
- Students have completed their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year at the conclusion of the promotion ceremony, and are expected to leave with parents.
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who are on campus during a promotion ceremony other than their own will be placed in a classroom for the remainder of the school day (i.e., until 1:02 pm).

**Parking/Balloons**

- The parking lot in front of the school (45<sup>th</sup> street West) will be closed, except to those cars with handicapped placards, and people entering on foot.
- Due to construction starting on the south end of our campus we encourage parents to walk OR park in surrounding neighborhoods.
- Walking is strongly encouraged! You may enter through open gates off 45<sup>th</sup> Street West (front of school), or on 46<sup>th</sup> Street West (behind the school) near the basketball courts.
- In order to avoid obstructing views, please present balloons to students at home.
- Those who bring balloons to the ceremony will be asked to sit in the rear of the cafeteria.

**Please Sign and Return to Your Homeroom Teacher**

I have read and understand the 2018 Endeavour Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> grade promotion guidelines.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ HR: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_