



RIVER RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

It is hard to believe that the 2015-2016 school year is coming to an end. As we enter the final days, we would like to celebrate this exciting milestone. Please take a moment to read key information that outlines the final activities that your child may participate in prior to transitioning to high school.

Eligibility for Breakfast, Celebration Ceremony, and Parade

In order to be eligible for the June 7th school day activities (breakfast, class video and parade) students must be on track to pass all core subjects. If a student is currently recovering courses through Edgenuity then he or she must have those courses recovered, or be on track to have courses recovered for the end of the year. All final decisions on eligibility will be determined by administration, and will be based on students meeting promotion guidelines.

Breakfast, Celebration Ceremony, and Parade

On Tuesday, June 7, 2016, 8th graders will celebrate their promotion to high school with a special breakfast, class video, and “Last Walk” parade through the RRMS Campus.

We need your baby pictures. Please email one baby picture with one current picture to be included in the 8th grade video. Pictures must be emailed to Mrs. Baumaister cbaumais@pasco.k12.fl.us with the subject line 8th grade baby pictures-student name. Deadline for submission is May 20, 2016. Please see our website or Instagram post for full details.

Families of our 8th grade students are invited to join the parade part of the celebration with balloons and signs at the front sidewalk closest to the parking lot in front of the middle school. The parade will begin at 9:45am and conclude by 10:15am, with the last leg of the parade making its way through the cheering parent section of the front sidewalk. Parents should be lined on the front sidewalk at 9:45am to ensure their participation in the parade. **Your child will bring home an early release form 3 weeks prior to the event. If you plan to check your child out early please fill out the form and return it to you child’s Language Arts teacher prior to May 27th. On the day of the parade the students who turn in the signed form will receive a wristband in their 1st period class, and will be allowed to leave at the conclusion of the parade.**

Eligibility for the Dance

In addition to being on track to pass all core subjects as stated above, students also must not have any level 2 or level 3 referrals in the 2nd semester to be eligible to attend the 8th Grade Dance.

Dance

The 8th grade dance will be held in the gym from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm on June 7th. The theme is “Hollywood Glam.” Students are required to wear semi-formal attire. Dress code is as follows: Boys are expected to wear long pants (no jeans) and a shirt with a collar. Girls are asked to wear a modest dress that does not expose the back or midriff. We will have photo booth available. Students will be able to pre-pay \$5 for a photo pass that allows them to have pictures taken with up to 14 people.

Additional Information:

Students who do not meet eligibility on June 7th will be in the Computer Lab working to recover coursework.

Cost of Activities

Listed below is the cost for the end of the year activities. Students who are attending the Gradventure trip will not need to purchase another shirt as it was included in the cost of the fieldtrip. Students should turn in money to the designated teacher on their team **by Friday, May 15.**

Option 1 - \$20.00 covers T-Shirt, Dance and Breakfast

Option 2 - \$15.00 covers Dance and Breakfast

*Students who attend Gradventure should pick option 2 since they will already have t-shirt.

Thank you for the opportunity you have given River Ridge Middle School staff to work with and teach your children. We look forward to celebrating these milestones with your student.

If you have any questions please contact Amy Riddle at ariddle@pasco.k12.fl.us or 727-774-7000.

Sincerely,

Amy Riddle
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