

# Granada Middle School

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Dear 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents,

This letter is to remind you that Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> is our last day of school and the date set for our eighth grade promotion. The eighth grade promotion ceremony commences at 9:00 AM and will last approximately one hour. Students are to arrive at our normal start time of 7:55 AM. A line for seating will form in the large grass area on the corner of Lemon and Stamy. The gate nearest that grass area will be the only entry point onto campus for the ceremony and we will open it for families to begin seating at approximately 8:30. While there are no tickets required for the event, we encourage families to limit their party as much as possible (we order enough chairs for 6 guests per student promoting). Parking will be available in our parking lot and in the surrounding neighborhood; we do ask that you consider carpooling to alleviate parking concerns. As a courtesy to others we ask that you do not bring balloons, umbrellas, or other large objects that may obstruct others' views during the ceremony. We would appreciate all cell phones be turned off or on silent and not answered for the duration of the ceremony. After promotion, the eighth grade students will be returning to the gym to pick up their promotion certificates from their homeroom teacher. They will be released to parents after they receive their certificate. We also ask that everyone leave at the conclusion of the ceremony since we will still have 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders attending classes and cannot dismiss them until the campus is cleared and secure.

For 8<sup>th</sup> graders that have siblings in 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> grade, we will send a letter with those students that, if you choose, you can fill out and have your child go to their first period class and then meet you in time to watch the promotion ceremony. All of the details will be in the letter.

We want to remind everyone that school dress code is still in effect for both the promotion ceremony and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance (which takes place at 6:00 PM on May 29<sup>th</sup>). Typical dress for both of these occasions is semi-formal. For boys, dress pants and shirts with a collar are appropriate. Coats and ties are encouraged but optional. Shirts should be tucked in. Tee shirts, polo shirts, oversized or baggy clothing, jeans, and tuxedos are not appropriate. Girls typically wear dresses that meet our normal dress code requirements for length and strap size (must be at least to the end of their fingertips when arms are extended down and at least a 1 1/2" strap or have their shoulders covered by a sweater or shawl). Formal or long dresses that touch the ground are not acceptable. Strapless, one-shoulder, halter-top, and backless dresses are unacceptable unless a sweater or shawl is pinned on to the dress. Shoes may not be removed at the dance or promotion ceremony therefore we encourage all students to wear shoes they will be comfortable in and can wear for the duration of both of these events. Please advise your child that, for safety reasons, if they choose to wear heels they must be able to safely walk up and down stairs and on uneven surfaces and that very high heels are inappropriate. Understand that your child may be sent home and asked to change should they choose to not follow dress code.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation. Granada has had a wonderful year thanks to our students, parents, and staff. We hope you all have a wonderful summer.

Thank you,

Mr. Mayernik