



CULVER CITY MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear 8th Grade Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Eighth grade promotion will take place on Friday, June 14th. We have put together this packet to help you with any questions you may have regarding your child's promotion activities. We have listed them in chronological order to assist you in marking your calendar. **The eligibility requirements, as well as the ticket process, have changed.** If you have any questions after thoroughly reading all the information, please feel free to call the school at x3335.

In order to participate in the 8th grade activities, all students must have met the following eligibility criteria:

- **Maintain a GPA of 2.0 each quarter (including the last quarter in order to promote)**
- **Maintain cumulative GPA of 2.0 for the academic year (8th grade only)**
 - **students who fall below an overall 2.0 will not be in the promotion ceremony**
- **No more than one U per quarter in citizenship or no more than two Ns in citizenship per quarter or no combination of a U or an N (i.e. 1 U and 1 N makes a student ineligible)**
- **No unserved detentions/ Saturday Schools - students may not participate in any 8th grade activities until their time is served.**
- **Any suspendable offense will preclude your child from participation in activities, including promotion ceremony**
- **Students must be clear from all financial obligations to the school.** If a student owes for athletics, books or cafeteria charges they will receive a notice of financial obligation and **tickets to promotion will not be issued. Once financial obligations are cleared, students can get their tickets.**
- **Although appropriate behavior is expected at all times, it is critical for 8th grade students to make good decisions during the remaining weeks in school, including school activities. Any severe or continuous inappropriate behavior will result in a student being removed from the activity and/or subsequent activities, including the Promotion ceremony.**

Upcoming 8th Grade Activities

- Monday, June 3-Thursday, June 6** **Portfolio Exit Interviews**
Multipurpose Room, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 5** **PTSA Yearbook Signing and Snack**
Panther Plaza, 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. (2nd Period)
- Thursday, June 6** **8th Grade Awards Night** (by invitation only)
Robert Frost Auditorium, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Friday, June 7** **Magic Mountain** (for eligible students only)
Buses will leave the front of CCMS at 9:30 a.m. and return at 7:30 p.m. Students MUST have their school ID cards to board the bus. (see additional sheet)
- Tuesday, June 11** **Promotion Rehearsal**
Track Area, 12:50 p.m. to 2:20 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 12** **Student v. Faculty Basketball Game**
HS Gym, 12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. (6th period)
- Thursday, June 13** **Promotion Rehearsal** (promotion tickets to be distributed)
Track Area, 12:50 p.m. to 2:20 p.m.
- Friday, June 14** **Promotion Ceremony**
Helm's Field, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

YEARBOOK SIGNING AND SNACK-WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5

If you still wish to purchase a yearbook, they are available for \$50.00 until supplies last. (Cash or check; made payable to CCMS) Yearbooks can be pre-ordered in front of 2nd hall at lunch every Thursday; no personal checks will be accepted after May 31st. Yearbooks have sold out the past two years, so make sure you pre-order. Yearbooks will be distributed, Tuesday June 4th, for those who pre-ordered. Remaining yearbooks will go on sale the following day at lunch. **Students are responsible for their yearbooks. Lost or damaged yearbooks are not the responsibility of Culver City Middle School.**

PROMOTION PRACTICE
TUESDAY, JUNE 11
AND THURSDAY JUNE 13

Practice will take place on the high school football field each day from approximately 12:50-2:20pm. **Please note: it is incredibly difficult to pull students from practice. We kindly request that all non urgent appointments and early pick-ups are not scheduled on those dates.**

8TH GRADE PROMOTION - FRIDAY, JUNE 14

The 8th grade promotion ceremony is the last opportunity to celebrate your student's successes and accomplishments in middle school. It is the pinnacle moment in the completion of eight years of hard work. To assist us with a positive memorable ceremony, please note the following guidelines. All students and guests must enter through the Harter St. gate. There will be no access through the Middle School main office or campus.

Culver City Middle School promotion will begin at 11:00 am on **Friday, June 14** and will last approximately one hour. It will take place at Helm's Field on the High School campus. Students must arrive at **10:30 a.m.** Parents and guests can enter the gates at 10:30 a.m.

❖ **Dress Attire for Promotion Ceremony**

Since students will not wear graduation robes or gowns CCMS strongly encourages students to dress in formal attire (i.e. slacks, dress shirts, dresses, and dress shoes)

INNAPROPRIATE ATTIRE WILL RESULT IN DENIAL TO PARTICIPATE

❖ **Electronics**

The electronics policy will be enforced during the promotion ceremony. Students may not have cell phones or other electronic devices during the ceremony

❖ **Disruption**

Any student who brings an item intended to disrupt the ceremonies will not be allowed to take part in the ceremony. Any disruption during the ceremony may result in withholding of the promotion certificate, grades and school records.

❖ **Promotion Tickets**

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE TICKET PROCEDURES HAVE CHANGED THIS YEAR- Attendance at the Culver City Middle School Promotion Ceremony is by invitation only. Only guests who have tickets will be permitted to attend the ceremony. ***Each 8th grade student will receive five (5) free tickets for the promotion ceremony. There will be a limited amount of extra tickets available for purchase at \$15 per ticket (cash only, no refunds).*** Extra tickets will be sold on Monday, June 10th from 12:00 (lunchtime)-3:30 p.m in the front office. **Tickets will not be sold before the lunch bell rings and a maximum of FOUR (4) additional tickets may be purchased per student.** GUESTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. Children 3 and under do not require a ticket when seated on an adult's lap. All tickets will be distributed to students on Thursday, June 13th at the promotion rehearsal.

LOST TICKETS WILL NOT BE REPLACED.

MAGIC MOUNTAIN--FRIDAY JUNE 7

(ELIGIBLE STUDENTS ONLY)

Magic Mountain is on Friday, June 7, and only eligible 8th graders are able to purchase a ticket to attend. Students are required to use school transportation for this event and are not allowed to leave the park or be picked up early. The busses will be leaving campus at 9:30 am, but students must meet their chaperones in the school lunch patio by 8:30 am. All students who purchased a ticket are expected to arrive on time or will be left behind with NO REFUNDS. We are expected to arrive at CCMS by 7:30pm. **Students are NOT ALLOWED to walk home and they must be picked up by a guardian.**

Attention 8th Grade Students and Parents. The following are 8th Magic Mountain Guidelines:

- Bring photo ID.
- Wear comfortable shoes and bring a sweater/sweatshirt.
- String Sport sacks are ok to have for sweater/sweatshirt, phone, etc. (We are not responsible for any stolen, misplaced, or damaged items).
- **No opened packages of foods or drinks are allowed on the bus or in the theme park (bags will be checked before boarding the bus and at entrance of the theme park). CCMS will provide water bottles to the students.**
- No personal items can be left on the bus while in the park (backpacks, shoes, phones, etc.). Students must carry their own bags at all times.
- CCMS dress code policies apply.
- Any inappropriate behavior will result in suspension and will jeopardize students' chance to walk stage. A phone call home will be made for parents to pick up their child at the theme park.
- Be classy -- no fighting, inappropriate public affection, cursing, cutting line, etc.
- **Students must meet chaperones on time and at the designated meeting spot.**
- Don't forget your bus number (have a bus buddy's cell phone number).
- **Students must be picked up by their parent or an adult that is responsible for them in front of school by 7:30PM. Students may not walk home!**

FINES AND CHARGES – WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

All fines and charges **must be cleared by Wednesday, June 12 (cash or money orders only)**. Examples: lost or damaged books, lunch balances, non-sufficient funds (NSF) check, etc. If fines and charges are not cleared, certificates, grades, and school records (per ED Code Section 48904) **will be withheld**. Additionally, students who owe fines will be excluded from end-of-the-year activities.

❖ **Parking for Promotion Ceremony**

There will be limited parking available in the high school student lot. Please do not plan on parking in the staff parking lot, as all numbered spaces are assigned for staff only and will not be available. There is also parking on the streets surrounding the school complex, but please pay attention to all street signs. Families are encouraged to arrive an hour early to locate parking, walk to the football stadium, clear ticketing, and find their seats.

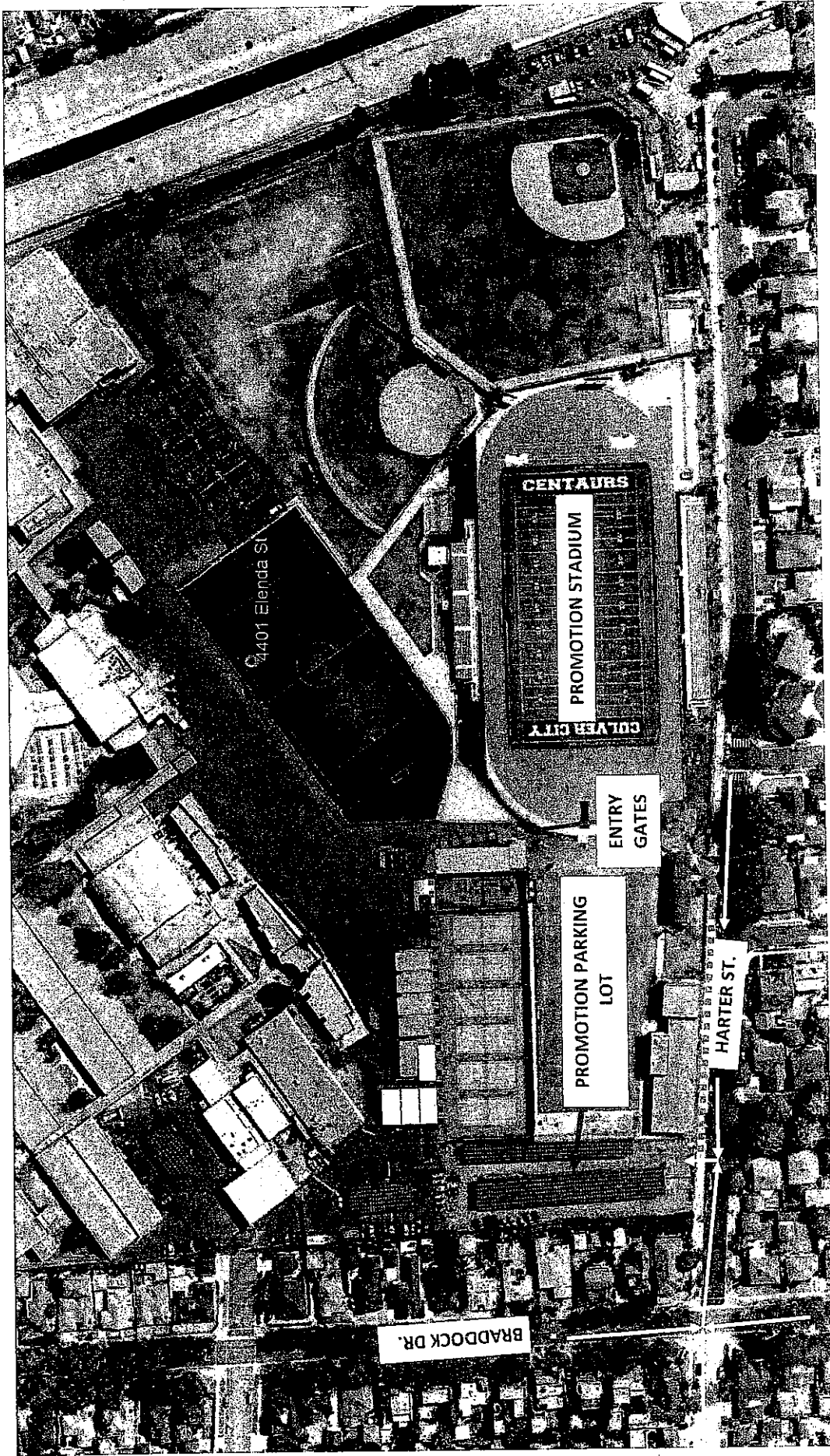
❖ **End of Ceremony**

Please plan to stay for the entire promotion. Standing or leaving disrupts the ceremony for others. Have a plan to meet your student at a designated area away from the stadium. (I.E. Panther Plaza)

❖ **Please check the weekly Paw Print for the latest information and updates.**


We look forward to another successful ceremony. Your support and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

**CULVER CITY MIDDLE SCHOOL
PROMOTION PARKING MAP**



Street parking may be available in the adjacency to the promotion stadium and neighborhood. Parking restrictions are strictly enforced by the Culver City Police Department and Los Angeles Police Department. Please read and adhere to all posted street parking restrictions.

Pedestrian Pathway 

Vehicle Routes 

CCMS – 8th Grade Culmination Ceremony Tickets

Below you will find the bid sheet – place a bid! Return the bid (either in a sealed envelope, or fold it and staple it closed, to the office) **NO LATER THAN Monday, June 4th** by the end of the school day. The highest bidder will win.

Parent(s) _____

Full Name of Child _____

Phone _____

Email: _____

By placing a bid, I understand that, if you are the highest bidder, I am pledging to pay this amount, whether or not I later choose to participate in the event.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Vigil at katkitti@aol.com

SIX ON-FIELD, FRONT ROW TICKETS FOR 8TH GRADE CULMINATION CEREMONY

Sit in your own row on the field with the 8th grade students during the culmination ceremony. (A second set of tickets have already been auctioned at the Tribute to the Stars event in early May.) The seats are located at an angle to either the left or right of the stage depending on which side of the field your 8th grader is assigned. No worries about people in front of you for picture taking. No need to rush and come early to the ceremony to save seats in the stands. Support CCMS PTSA by making a bid for this auction item.

We are auctioning off these highly coveted front row seats. How would it feel to not have to rush to Culmination? You can stop and pick up flowers, make sure you have your camera. If you were in the front row you would not have to worry about a head in your way when you take the picture of your child crossing the stage. You would not have to worry about having to stand in the back if you are running late.

Minimum Bid: \$200.00 (The highest bid, will win the Seats, tickets are provided by CCMS.) Good Luck!

My Bid: \$ _____

PREFERRED SEATING FOR 8TH GRADE CULMINATION CEREMONY

Reserve your seat for the 8th grade culmination ceremony. The seats are located in the bleachers either Home or Away side. No need to rush and come early to the ceremony to save your seat. Support CCMS PTSA by making a bid for this auction item. (These are not additional tickets, just reserved seating.) We are auctioning off highly coveted preferred seating. How would it feel to not have to rush to culmination? You can stop and pick up flowers, make sure you have your camera.

Each seat is \$25.00. (These are not additional tickets to culmination, just reserved seating.)

Please make checks payable to CCMS PTSA and indicate how many seats you would like to reserve, seats are limited. First come first served. (checks and cash will be returned if all seats are filled.)

\$25.00 X _____ Tickets = \$ _____ 5 people per bench seat.

Please make check payable to CCMS PTSA, if sold out your check or cash will be returned. Credit cards are excepted.

By placing a bid, I understand that, if you are the highest bidder, I am pledging to pay this amount, whether or not I later choose to participate in the event.