



North Little Rock School District

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April 22, 2022

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We are happy to announce an 8th grade End of Year Ceremony. We are especially proud of our 8th grade students and their commitment to their academics during these unprecedented times. This special event is both a privilege and an opportunity to honor our students for their time at North Little Rock Middle School. This ceremony does not guarantee that your student has met the requirements to be promoted to the Ninth Grade. Students who participate in this ceremony may still be required to attend summer school if they do not have a passing grade in all core classes. *Participation in the ceremony is optional. Please be mindful that this is an Early Release Day for NLRSD and all schools will be dismissed at their designated time.*

The 2022 8th Grade “End of Year” Ceremony will be held on Friday, May 20th at 2:30pm in the North Little Rock High School Arena. Students are allowed to invite 2 guests. However, there are some items that will **NOT** be permitted in the arena:

- Bullhorns or Airhorns
- Balloons
- Cupcakes, cakes, or any outside food
- Poster or signs
- Noise makers

This is a serious, dignified, student-faculty-parent experience representing the culmination of a combined effort of the students, faculty, school administration, and, of course, parents. Therefore, students are expected to be dressed in accordance with the recommended dress code.

Recommended Dress Code

Boys

Please wear nice dress shoes. (No Open-toed shoes, flip flops, Crocs, or slides)
Male students are recommended to wear collared shirts, preferably button-down.
Nice dress pants or khakis. (Sweatpants or shorts are not allowed.)

Girls

Please wear nice dress shoes. Heels are **NOT** allowed to be worn in the Building. (Flip flops, Crocs, or slides are not allowed.)
Dresses, dress pants or a modest skirt with a nice top, blouse, or sweater is appropriate.
Dresses and skirts should be the appropriate length. Dresses may not have cut-outs or show cleavage.
Absolutely NO midriffs or crop tops.
Strapless, spaghetti strap, or tank top dresses must be worn with a sweater at all times.



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Also, this event is called an "End of Year Ceremony" to recognize a milestone which is uniquely important but does not automatically promote students to 9th grade. Academic requirements will have to be fulfilled according to the student handbook. If a student is suspended or under suspension during the time of the ceremony, they will not be allowed to attend.

We are excited to see all of our students before they move on to high school. We are so very proud of them and wish them the best in their future endeavors. We will do all we can to recognize our students' accomplishments, knowing there are limitations that are currently out of our control. Thank you for your understanding and support.

*Virtual students will not have to complete a permission slip to participate in the ceremony. We encourage virtual students to participate, but they must be transported to and from the event with a parent or guardian.

Sincerely,

Quintin Cain, Principal



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Permission Slip

Since the 8th Grade “End of Year” Ceremony will be at the North Little Rock High Arena, students will be transported by bus from North Little Rock Middle School to the North Little Rock High School Arena. Parents and spectators will be allowed to enter the Arena beginning at **2:00PM**. Parents will need to park in “Student Parking” at 24th Street & Main Street.

It will be assumed if your child does not return the permission slip below that they will not be participating in the “End of the Year” ceremony and will be dismissed from school at 1:40pm on that day. There will be bus transportation home if your student does not participate in the ceremony.

Students need to return the permission slip to their Social Studies teacher by **Friday May 13, 2022**.

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ALL PERMISSION SLIPS MUST BE RETURNED BY FRIDAY,

May 13th, 2022!!

Social Studies Teacher:

I give permission for my child, _____, to be transported by bus to the 8th Grade “End of Year” Ceremony at the North Little Rock High School Arena on Friday, May 20, 2022.

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print): _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Student ID Number: _____

- ☐ My child will be participating in the “End of Year” Ceremony and will need bus transportation home.

HOME ADDRESS: _____

- ☐ My child will be participating in the “End of Year” Ceremony and will leave the North Little Rock High School Arena with a parent/guardian.

- ☐ My child will **NOT** be participating in the “End of Year” Ceremony and will leave the North Little Rock Middle School campus at 1:40pm using their normal transportation method.



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