

Dear Parents or Guardians:

At the conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year, we hope for eighth grade students to have the privilege of participating in end of the year activities. These activities include:

Eighth Grade Celebration
Eighth Grade Class Trip
Promotion Ceremony

May 3, 6-9:00 P.M.
May 21
May 22, 7:00 P.M.

At this time we would like to emphasize to all students that our expectations, both academically and behaviorally, rise during their final year at Reed-Custer Middle School. We have outlined these expectations below.

ACADEMICS

- A. Students must receive a passing grade for the year in ALL CORE CLASSES at the time of each eighth grade event.
- B. Students must receive a passing grade for the year in their physical education class, health class, and/or their Encore classes.

If a student does not meet the criteria listed above, he or she will not be able to participate in the Eighth Grade Celebration or Class Trip. Any student required to participate in Summer School, due to failing grades, will not participate in the promotion ceremony.

BEHAVIOR

Students can be disqualified from participating in any or all of the eighth grade activities if they do not meet behavior guidelines. Below are some examples of action(s) that can lead to disqualification from eighth grade activities.

- A. A serious act of misconduct leading to an out-of-school suspension.
- B. Acts of misbehavior that result in after-school detentions.
- C. Repeated classroom disruptions leading to removal from class.
- D. Repeated bus misconduct.

The Eighth Grade Celebration and Class Trip are traditional privileges earned by eighth graders eligible for promotion to high school. Please know that if a student does not meet requirements at the time of the celebration or class trip, they will not be permitted to attend. Our goal is to make every effort to ensure that misbehavior by individuals does not ruin these events for the group. Eighth grade students that violate school rules/expectations will lose the opportunity to participate in these once-in-a-lifetime experiences.

A student who is assigned to an alternative school for behavior reasons is prohibited from attending the Eighth Grade Celebration and Class Trip. If an eighth grade student accumulates SIX misbehavior detentions OR ONE out-of-school suspension for the 2023-2024 school year, he/she will lose the Eighth Grade Celebration and Class Trip privileges. The principal/assistant principal will have the final discretion of disqualification of these privileges.

These special activities are privileges granted to those students who earn the right to participate. Any student who chooses to exhibit inappropriate behavior, therefore chooses not to participate in these special activities. Students are not only representing themselves, but also representing Reed-Custer Middle School.

Please know that we have high expectations for ourselves and our students, your children. The expectations outlined herein are not meant to be punitive, but rather provide all students the opportunity to finish middle school on a positive note. End of the year activities are designed for students who demonstrate maturity and follow school guidelines. If, at any time, you become concerned with your child's academic progress or behavior, please feel free to contact either of us at RCMS. Best wishes for an outstanding school year.

Sincerely,

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