



# *John Adams Middle School*

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Dear 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and families:

As we approach the end of the first semester, we would like to remind you of some important events for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. There will be more details as each event approaches but please save these dates.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Events Parent Meeting** – Thursday, January 11 at 5:30 p.m. on Zoom

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Hoodie Sales** – TBD (\$30 for pre-orders)

**SAMOHI Experience** – Thursday, January 25 at 6:00 p.m. at SAMOHI

**PBL Presentations/SAMOHI Advisor Visits** – Friday, January 26 during ELA & Science classes

**Astrocamp** – February 2-4

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Panoramic Picture Day** – Friday, February 9 (\$30 framed/\$20 unframed)

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Movie Night** – Friday, March 8

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Trip** – Wednesday, June 5, 8:30 am – 7:30 pm at Knott's Berry Farm (approximate cost \$80)

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance** – Friday, June 7, 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm at JAMS Performing Arts Studio

**Promotion Rehearsal** – Tuesday, June 11

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Ceremony** – Wednesday, June 12, 9:00 am & 11:30am at JAMS Performing Arts Theatre

## **Promotion Eligibility**

To be eligible for the promotion, the 8<sup>th</sup> grader must meet the following criteria:

1. No more than two fails ("F") on the final semester report cards (January/June) combined.
2. No more than 500 demerits accrued.

It is also expected that students return all their textbooks, library books and chromebooks before they promote.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Trip:** Wednesday, June 5, 2024, 8:30am – 7:30pm at Knott's Berry Farm

This will be a full-day activity for those 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who are eligible and wish to participate. Students not attending the 8<sup>th</sup> grade event are still expected to come to school.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance:** Friday, June 7, 2024 (5:00 pm to 7:30 pm)

The dance will take place in the school's Performing Arts Studio supervised by administrators, teachers and parents. School dress code rules apply for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance. Party dress is acceptable; T-shirts and shorts are NOT recommended. Students who are not dressed appropriately will not be admitted to the dance. Admission to the dance is free. There will be food, drinks, and dessert.

**Promotion Rehearsal:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024, during school hours in the Performing Arts Theatre.

Students will run through the entire promotion ceremony to know which teacher they are walking with for the promotion ceremony.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Ceremony:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024

1<sup>st</sup> ceremony 9:00 am - Students should arrive no later than 8:30 am.

2<sup>nd</sup> ceremony 11:30 am – Students should arrive no later than 11:00 am.

Each eligible student will receive 3 tickets to the ceremony. Closer to the event, more detailed information will be sent to families and students. At that time, extra tickets may be requested based on availability. Every guest, regardless of age, MUST have a ticket to enter the Performing Arts Theatre. This includes infants and children, even if you plan to have them sit on your lap. Seating is on a first come, first serve basis. Food, drink, balloons, banners and flowers will not be allowed inside the theatre.