



# ELMWOOD PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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May 29, 2019

Dear Students and Parents:

Commencement for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade members of the class of 2019 is planned for Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. Each student will receive three (3) green and four (4) blue tickets at the time of rehearsal. We expect to use the athletic field (weather permitting) to allow for maximum seating. In the event of rain, the ceremony will be held in the middle school auditorium and **only** green ticket holders will be permitted in the ceremony. Those family members holding blue tickets may view the ceremony in the cafeteria via video projection.

Parking in the school lots may become limited. Please plan to park on public streets near the field and the lot across from Gilbert Avenue School. I also request that you exit the promotion exercise in a timely fashion.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS ESSENTIAL:

- 1) Cap and gown distribution will take place on Wednesday, June 19, 2019 in the auditorium during rehearsal.
- 2) The schedule of rehearsals is as follows:

Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>

Rehearsal 8:05 a.m. - 12:18 p.m. under the supervision of homeroom teachers.

Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>

Final rehearsal 8:05 a.m. - 12:18 p.m. under the supervision of homeroom teachers.

**It is imperative that students are in attendance during these dates or they won't be able to participate in the ceremony.**

**School will be in session from 8:05 a.m. to 12:18 p.m.**

- 3) All students must return library books, textbooks, school equipment, and Chromebooks, and settle fines by 2:45 p.m. on Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. **Additional fines may occur after June 12<sup>th</sup>. Please continue to check fines via the Parent Portal up until graduation. Diplomas will not be issued to any student with an outstanding liability. No records**

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**or transcripts will be forwarded and graduates will be unable to walk until fines are settled.**

- 4) Students must arrive for commencement exercises on June 20<sup>th</sup> no later than 5:30 p.m. and should report to the middle school gymnasium.
- 5) All participants are to wear caps and gowns. Graduates are not to wear jeans, sneakers, shorts or sandals. It is requested that girls wear dresses or skirts and that boys wear a white dress shirt, tie, slacks and dress shoes. High heel shoes should not be worn as they will become stuck in the turf. Wedges are encouraged instead.
- 6) If caps and gowns are altered in any way, students will not be allowed to walk.
- 7) No student will be permitted to march in the ceremony that has not accumulated the required amount of credits. Any student that has not accumulated the required amount of credits will not be permitted to march in the ceremony.
- 8) For safety reasons, please refrain from moving into the aisles, while taking pictures.

With the cooperation of everyone in attendance, the day promises to be a memorable experience. The board of education, administration, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade instructional staff look forward to seeing all of you on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

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Principal

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cc: Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools  
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Mrs. Stephanie Pontidis, Guidance Counselor  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Homeroom Teachers