

April 26, 2011

**TO:** Parents of Eighth Grade Students  
**FROM:** Nancy Bailey, Principal and Kevin Anderson, Assistant Principal  
**RE:** Eighth Grade End of the Year Activities

The end of the 2010-11 school year is just around the corner. There are a number of activities planned, especially for Kraxberger eighth grade students. This letter will provide basic information about these activities and outline behavioral expectations for students.

The end of the year activities are a privilege and may be revoked by an administrator prior to the activities due to concerns regarding behaviors or grades. Eighth grade students may participate in the end of the year promotion activities (i.e. Recognition, 8<sup>th</sup> grade field trip, 8<sup>th</sup> grade party, etc.) provided they meet the following criteria:

1. Student has met promotion criteria and must be passing all 3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester courses
2. Behavior: See "End of Year Activities Point System"

**TUESDAY, JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> - Last Regular School Day for Eighth Grade Students**

This is the last regular day for eighth grade students. All textbooks and school materials must be returned, any financial responsibilities clear, and hall lockers cleaned out.

**All fees and fines must be paid prior to attending the 8<sup>th</sup> grade field trip and receiving a yearbook.**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup> - Eighth Grade Field Trip to Oaks Park**

Eighth grade students with responsible behavior through the end of the school year will be invited to participate in this field trip. Students who have outstanding debts (registration fees, missing library or text books, damaged textbooks, etc.) will be asked to pay their fees before attending this field trip. Students must pre-pay for admission to the park/rides and transportation (\$10.00). Students will be responsible to purchase their own lunch at Oaks Park or bring a sack lunch from home or request in advance a sack lunch from the cafeteria.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 9<sup>TH</sup> - Eighth Grade Recognition – at GHS, 6:30 p.m.**

Students practice for the Recognition Ceremony at 2:00 p.m. in the GHS Gym and will be dismissed at 3:30 p.m. Eighth grade students **will not** report to Kraxberger on this day and will need to make arrangements for their own transportation to and from the high school. The night of Recognition calls for nice dress, as would be appropriate for a special family gathering or church. This is not a "black tie" affair.

**Eight Grade Party – immediately following Recognition until 10:00 p.m.**

This party, sponsored by eighth grade parents, is for current Kraxberger eighth grade students only (guests are not allowed). There is no cost to students for this party. Dress is casual to match the party theme.

## 2010/2011 Eighth Grade End of Year Activities Point System

At the end of each year, Kraxberger celebrates the promotion from 8<sup>th</sup> grade to high school. Following tradition, Kraxberger eighth graders who have demonstrated *safe, respectful* and *responsible* behaviors are offered the opportunity to participate in three exciting events. Student behavior that does not meet school expectations may result in the loss of one or more of these privileges.

We will use the following point system to track behavior for the remainder of the year:

ACTION	POINTS
Referral	0.5
Lunch/Recess Detention (LD)	0.5
After School Detention (ASD)	1.0
Half-Day In-School Suspension (ISS)	1.5
All Day In-School Suspension (ISS)	2.0
Out of School Suspension (OSS)	3.0

**Starting Tuesday, May 3rd:** Students accumulating the following points will lose the privilege of attending the specified activity(ies):

### Points Accumulated

4  
5  
6

### Activity Lost

- Oaks Park Field Trip
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*AND* 8th Grade Party

***Students who have been issued bus citations and have lost school bus transportation privileges are automatically excluded from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade field trip.***

**Note:** Oaks Park Field Trip (Wednesday, June 8 – All Day)

Recognition Ceremony (Thursday, June 9 – 6:30 at GHS)

Eighth Grade Party (Thursday, June 9 – following Recognition Ceremony)