

Runnemede Public Schools

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Dear Parents/Guardians of Eighth Grade Students:

Congratulations! Your child is ready to be promoted from Volz School and move into young adulthood in high school. With this letter, I hope to answer some of the questions you may have about this celebration. On Monday, June 14, 2021, your child will be promoted from Mary Volz School. The Promotion ceremony will take place on the Triton High School football field. The gates will open at 5:15 pm, and the ceremony will begin at 6:00 pm. We plan to have the ceremony even if there is light precipitation. **If we experience severe weather on Monday, our only rain date will be Tuesday, June 15th at 2:00 pm due to other ceremonies taking place Tuesday and Wednesday night.**

Promotion Practice

Students are to report to the Triton football field on Monday, June 14th, 2021 at 10:00 am for Promotion practice. Students can walk to and from practice, and it should last about two hours. Students should not report to Volz that day, but instead directly to Triton. Transportation will not be provided for this event, please make arrangements for your child.

Dress Code & Parent Etiquette

The students will be wearing gowns to promotion. If you already purchased a gown, they will be given to students in early June. If you ordered a gown, and have not yet paid for it, the cost is \$20.00, which can be sent in to the Volz main office by June 1st, 2021. We ask that the students wear appropriate attire such as: dress pants with a shirt and tie or a dress. Due to the health and safety guidelines all students and spectators will be required to wear a mask during the ceremony. Parents are asked to be respectful of all students and adults. The school has purchased Promotion masks, which will also be given to students free of charge for the Promotion event. Please **refrain** from bringing balloons, confetti cannons or any inappropriate objects onto the Triton Football Field.

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Safety and Health Guidelines

Please be aware that during all events, all participants must wear a mask, and social distance. Also, if any student or family member tested positive within ten days, are currently quarantining, or has Covid-19 symptoms, they cannot attend any of the 8th grade activities.

Tickets

Each eighth grade student will be given eight tickets for Promotion. They will be distributed to the students prior to Promotion ceremony. Due to state health and safety guidelines the students and spectators will be following all social distancing guidelines. Your tickets will be marked either “home side” or “visitor side”. Your child will be seated on the side that is indicated on your ticket, therefore please only sit on the side indicated on your ticket. The Triton stadium will have markings for “clusters of four” people groups. Therefore, please be aware that if you have eight guests, your group may be split into two separate clusters. There will be handicapped accessibility at the stadium if needed. Due to limited tickets, no person will be granted access to this event without a ticket, and no additional ticket requests will be granted.

8th Grade PTA After-Promotion Event

The eighth grade after-promotion event will be held immediately after Promotion on June 14, 2021 beginning at 7:30 pm on the Volz field. If students are leaving the event early, they must be picked up by a parent / guardian, and are not allowed to return once they leave. Otherwise, please make arrangements for your child to be picked up at 10:00 promptly. As in the past this is not a formal event, but attire is up to the child and their family.

Please understand that state and local guidelines or unforeseen circumstances may change all the information above before the scheduled events take place.

Sincerely,

Steve Pili

Principal