

Success starts at home

More than ever, you continue to play an important role in your child's education. You can help your child meet the 8th grade promotion requirements by fostering positive attitudes at home about completing school assignments, learning new skills, and "doing your best" in all subjects.

Here are some of the ways you can help your child to be a successful student:

- ✓ **Provide a quiet, well-lit space for your child to do his/her homework**
- ✓ **Make sure your child has breakfast and brings nutritious snacks to school**
- ✓ **Set an appropriate bed time and consistently enforce it**
- ✓ **Read with your child or provide him/her with the opportunity to read quietly**
- ✓ **Ask your child about his/her day at school and follow up with specific questions**
- ✓ **Make sure that your child's digital school device is charged and taken to school everyday.**
- ✓ **Take your child to the library to support class projects/ research or personal interests**

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**Eighth Grade
Promotion
Requirements**

Promotion Requirements

We want to ensure your child is successful and meets the required standards for promotion.

Listed below are the requirements of eligibility to receive an 8th grade promotion certificate and to participate in promotion exercises and activities:

Requirements:

In order for an 8th grade student to participate in promotion ceremonies, the student must earn 18 grade points, three grade points for the year in the following subjects **and** must earn an overall GPA (Grade Point Average) of 1.0 in each of the following subjects:

- Math
- Science
- Social Science
- Language Arts
- Physical Education
- Elective

Grade Points:

- A = 4 points
- B = 3 points
- C = 2 points
- D = 1 point
- F = 0 point

Students may have no F's during the 3rd trimester of the 8th grade year regardless of GPA.

Assessment Information

All students will be given a District Math Assessment at the end of each trimester. Each District Math Assessment will make up 10% of the student's grade.

All students will be given a District Writing Assessment and a District English Language Arts Assessment at the end of each trimester. The District's Writing and ELA Assessments together will make up 10% of the student's grade.

The Reading Lexile score will be recorded on the report card.

Students are also required to:

- Have no disciplinary action for severe infractions of the school rules or District policy as determined by the principal.
- Demonstrate consistent effort toward maintaining continuous satisfactory behavior and grade point average.
- Receive no more than four "U's" in citizenship during the year or no more than two "U's" during a reporting period from two or more teachers.
- Have no more than two absences without parent/guardian knowledge; and have no more than one recorded offense resulting in suspension.
- The principal may waive the last three requirements if your child demonstrates, to the principal's satisfaction, that his/her behavior has markedly improved.

School staff will communicate with the parents/guardians of those who are at risk of not promoting.

Students who fail to achieve these promotion requirements:

- Will **not be promoted** to 9th grade.
- Will **not participate** in the promotion ceremony or any other activities and trips reserved for students who have met promotion requirements.
- May be **retained** or **placed at a site other than a comprehensive high school** at the discretion of the elementary principal and as appropriate for each student.

Please note that students who fail to make satisfactory progress towards promotion standards during the 8th grade year may be kept from participation in any and all extra-curricular activities (programs, sports, dances, trips, etc.).

If you have questions or concerns regarding your child's promotion status, contact your child's homeroom teacher or principal.