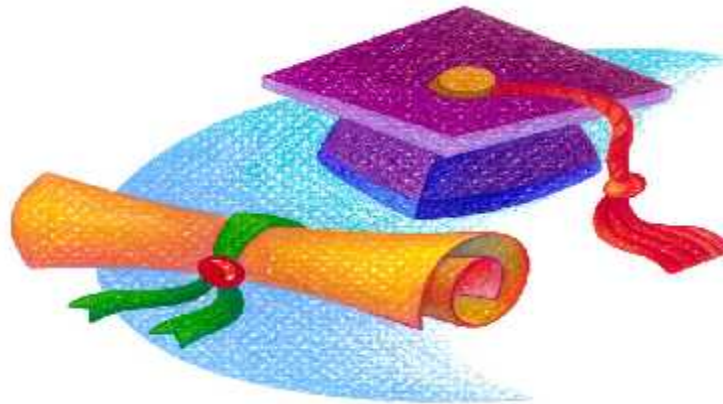


Welcome to  
Washington Middle School  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents Meeting  
@WMS\_Patriots



# Goals

- To inform the parents and guardians of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students how important this year is and to make them aware of important events and activities.
- To remind our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students of their responsibility to continue to work hard and maintain good grades.
- To acquaint parents and students with opportunities available at Harrison High School.
- To have our students enjoy the rewards of their hard work.

# Important Academic Dates to Remember:

- **October 6th** – Student progress reports mailed home.
- **November 20th** - Report cards will be emailed.
- **December 15th** – Student progress reports will be mailed home.
- **January 15th-19th** - Benchmark testing

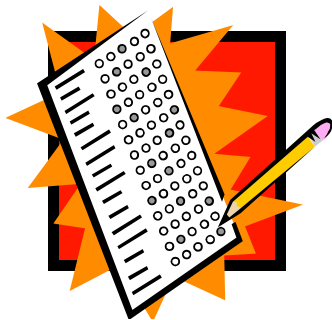
- **January 24th** - Report cards will be emailed.
- **April 16<sup>th</sup> to May 25th** - **P.A.R.C.C. Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers.**
- **May 11<sup>th</sup>** - Student progress reports will be mailed home.
- **May 31<sup>st</sup> –NJASK Science**
- **JUNE 23rd** - Graduation (255 Days! From tonight)

# P.A.R.C.C.

**Partnership for Assessment of  
Readiness for College and Careers.  
Based on the Common Core  
Standards.**



**We need your help to make your child successful!**



True



False



# Benchmark TESTS and Grades

- Benchmarks count!
- Academic planning and Priorities are keys to your child's Success.



Assist your child with  
Time management skills

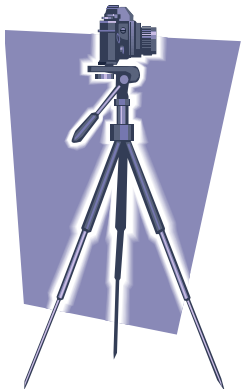


# Class Rings

- Our WMS school ring is the September Blue stone in a silvertone setting.
  - Any 8<sup>th</sup> grade student may order a school ring if they choose to.
  - Payment is due upon ordering.
  - Any late orders are not guaranteed to arrive in time for our Ring Ceremony.
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- There will be a representative from Josten's will be in school on Wednesday October 25<sup>th</sup> to measure and accept orders.

# Graduation Pictures

- A representative from Lifetouch Pictures will be in school on October 19<sup>th</sup> to take 8<sup>th</sup> grade Graduation Pictures.
- Girls are to wear white collared blouses or a white turtleneck shirt.
- Boys are to wear a white collared shirt and tie.



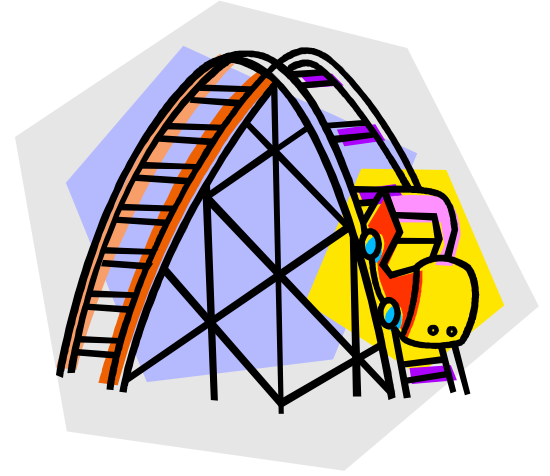


# Yearbook

- The yearbook is a culmination of memories of your student's 3 years at Washington Middle School.
- The PTO sponsors an autograph party for the students to sign each others yearbooks.



# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip



- The 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip is to Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom.
- A payment plan is available which begins in January.
- Once payment has been made refunds will only be given if tickets have not yet been purchased.



# GRADUATION



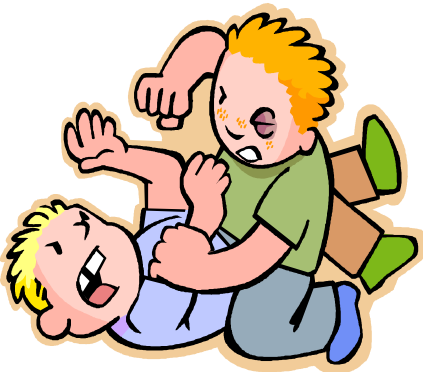
- The date of the Graduation Ceremony is not determined until the April Board of Education Meeting.
  - All students are required to purchase a Cap & Gown to wear to the ceremony.
  - Due to the large amount of students only 3 tickets per family are allowed.
  - Proper attire is required under your gown. Regulations will be sent home in June.
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- **Parents please be conscience of this when planning vacations!**

# Dinner Dance

- The Dinner Dance is held on the evening of the last day of school from 6:30-9:30pm.
- A signed permission slip is required along with payment.
- Proper attire is required that evening.
- A buffet style dinner is offered along with a DJ and night filled with FOOD, FRIENDS, and FUN!!



# Violations



# DON'T skip school...Get Involved!



# Consequences!!!

- The student is accountable for his/her actions!
- YOU the students control YOUR behavior!
- YOU the students can lose:
  - Attending the Ring Ceremony
  - Attending the Autograph Party
  - Attending the Dorney Park Trip



ATTENDING GRADUATION!!

**IT'S UP TO YOU!!!**

# Expenses



- School Ring - \$75.00 + (packages are available)
- Graduation Pictures - \$31.00 + (packages are available)
- Yearbook - \$26.00
- Dorney Park - \$60.00 (PTO pays for the buses)
- Cap & Gown - \$25.00
- Dinner Dance - \$40.00
- **YOUR CHILD GRADUATING - PRICELESS!!**

