



END-OF-YEAR EVENTS

8TH GRADE, CLASS OF 2018

Below you will find important information associated with the 8th grade activities of May crowning, Final Exams, 8th Grade Trip, Awards Ceremony, and Graduation.

A. MAY CROWNING will be held on Friday, May 4th, at 9 a.m. in the church. All 8th grade students will wear their graduation gowns for this event. Please iron the gowns and bring them to school on a coat hanger. Please make sure to write the student's name in the gown. A graduation group picture will be taken after May Crowning in the church. Picture order forms will be made available on the 8th grade tab on the school website.

Dress code

Everyone: Bring graduation gown on a hanger. Write name in gown!

Girls: Wear uniform with V-neck white undershirt. Wear dress shoes (low heels or flats suggested) and you **MUST** bring school shoes and socks to change into after ceremony.

Boys: Wear long-sleeve **white** dress shirt with **dress uniform tie** and navy uniform pants. Wear dress shoes and you **MAY** bring school shoes/socks to change into OR wear dress shoes.

B. FINAL EXAMS are scheduled for Tuesday, May 8, Wednesday, May 9, and Thursday, May 10. Students who have earned an A for all four nine weeks AND the midterm are exempt from the final exam for a course. Exempt students do not need to attend school during the time of their exam for that course. Eighth grade students will dismiss at 11:00am both exam days as walkers or church carpool only (no bus service for 8th graders these days).

Tuesday, May 8th: Religion (taken in Religion classes)

Wednesday, May 9th: Literature (8:15-9:30) and Science (9:45-11:00)

Thursday, May 10th: Social Studies (8:15-9:30) and Math (9:45-11:00)

C. 8th GRADE TRIP to New Orleans on Friday, May 11. Students will board buses starting at 7:30am and will be gone all day. Return time is expected to be around 5:30pm. All additional details about the trip will be communicated directly to parents by our 8th Grade Parent Coordinator, Mrs. Dawn Beale.

D. AWARDS CEREMONY will be held on Tuesday, May 15, in the Mercy Gym at 6 pm. Students must be lined up ready for procession by 5:45 pm in the gym foyer.

Dress code

School Dress uniform and **blazers**

**Blazers are to be returned after awards ceremony.

E. GRADUATION CEREMONY will be held in church on Wednesday, May 16, at 6 p.m. Students should arrive wearing cap/gown at the Parish Activity Center by 5:30 p.m. Please make sure to write the student's name in the cap, as students will toss these into the air after the ceremony. Picture order forms will be made available on the 8th grade tab on the school website.

Dress code

Girls: a modest dress under their gowns & dress shoes

Boys: dress shirt with tie, dress pants, and dress shoes (No jeans or shorts. School dress uniform not required.)

The graduation reception will be held in the PAC for all graduates and their families immediately following the graduation mass.

Your class activity fee that was paid at the beginning of the year covers the following:

1. Gown/Cap/Tassel
2. Diploma
3. A single rose-given by student to parent at the awards ceremony
(If there is someone that your graduate would like to acknowledge with a token of appreciation, additional roses may be ordered. Order additional roses using the attached form.)

Please sign and return the attached form to your child's homeroom teacher by **Friday, April 20, 2018**. If you have any questions regarding these 8th grade activities, please contact the school.

Thank you for all the love and service you have given to Our Lady of Mercy. We greatly appreciate your partnership, and we look forward to celebrating with you and your families as our 8th graders conclude their time at Mercy!



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Return this portion to the homeroom teacher by **Friday, April 20, 2018**.

I have read and understand the letter about the procedures for the end of year 8th grade activities.

Student's Name (print)

Homeroom

Student's signature

Parent's signature

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**I wish to order additional roses:**

Student name \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ # additional roses at \$2/each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to Our Lady of Mercy School. Write in memo: *additional rose(s)*.  
(Form must be returned by **Friday, April 20, 2018**.)