



THORNE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Promotion Ceremony



The Thorne Middle School 8th grade Promotion Ceremony will be held at Monmouth University, West Long Branch, on Friday, June 22nd at 2:00 p.m. Directions will be posted on the Thorne website. Students must report to Monmouth University by 1:15 p.m. Please give yourself at least one hour of travel time and keep in mind summer and unexpected traffic delays.

DISMISSAL

- All eighth grade students will be dismissed at 10:30 a.m. A permission slip will be provided and must be returned to their homeroom teacher giving permission for early dismissal. Also, eighth grade students who normally take a bus home will be asked to check off on the permission slip if a bus is required.
- Permission Slips will be given out in homeroom and must be returned to their homeroom teacher by the expected return date.

ADMISSION

- Each eighth grade student will be entitled to **ten (10)** invitations. The invitation serves as a ticket for the ceremony. Please feel free to check with other families that are not using all 10 invitations if you require additional invitations. If you have extenuating circumstances we need to be aware of please feel free to contact the main office.
- Invitations will be distributed during homeroom. **The date of distribution will be determined at a later date.**

DRESS CODE

- All graduates will purchase, and keep, a traditional graduation robe. Distribution of gowns will take place through homeroom. Date to be determined. Students should wear appropriate attire: Dress shirt and tie, dress pants and appropriate dresses, and dress shoes. (No clogs, sneakers, flip flops, etc.).

CEREMONY

- Students will report to Monmouth University by **1:15 p.m., sharp.**
- **Directions will be posted on Thorne's website.**
- The ceremony will last approximately 1 hour.
- Please hold applause until all names are called.
- Please note that the arena is air-conditioned.
- Only students who have completed graduation requirements and have participated in all rehearsals will participate in the ceremony. Students must have turned in all Thorne property, i.e., chrome books, library books, locks, etc. or pay for such items or they will not receive their diplomas. (Checks made payable to: Thorne Middle School).
- **Diplomas will be given out on Monday, June 25th**

We consider this ceremony to be very serious since it marks a milestone in the lives of our children. I would appreciate your respectful participation as an audience member so that every one of our fine students gets the recognition they deserve. Loud screams, whistling, cheers, etc., when a student's name is announced, often "drown out" the calling of another student's name. Noise devices are not permitted in the arena by Monmouth University. At the conclusion of our ceremony the graduates will be led right outside to the front of the MAC building. Please arrange to meet your child there. Please enjoy yourselves, but show respect and consideration for all in attendance.

Thank you for your cooperation!