

# DARTMOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL

April 2025

Dear Parents:

The following information pertains to graduation:

**PLACE:** Dartmouth Memorial Stadium, 400 Slocum Road, Dartmouth, MA  
**\*\* Alternative place if it rains will be the DHS Gymnasium, a robo call will be made no later than 12 p.m. on June 12<sup>th</sup> if location has to be changed\*\***

**DATE:** Thursday, June 12, 2025

**TIME:** 6:00 P.M. (Gates open at 5:15 P.M. Ceremony ends at approximately 7:00 p.m.)

**\*\*\*No heels are permitted on the turf field. Flats or wedges are allowed\*\*\***

**Seating:** Seating will be first come- first served basis.

**Rehearsal:** During the day on June 12<sup>th</sup>, graduates will follow their regular schedule until notified as to when the exact rehearsal time will be. Graduation rehearsal will take place at the Dartmouth Memorial Stadium. **Students will be able to leave after rehearsal only if they bring in a note from a parent giving the student permission to leave. (Dismissal is approx. 10:45 a.m.)**

**Dress:** We do not want parents to feel that special clothing should be purchased for this occasion. However, we would like the graduates to look presentable.

**Awards:** Six sets of awards will be presented during the ceremonies:

- 1. Dartmouth Police Athletic League** - Given to the equivalent of one student per homeroom who is judged by their teachers to have shown outstanding citizenship throughout the year.
- 2. Dartmouth Middle School Teachers' Awards** - Given to the equivalent of one student per homeroom who is judged by their teachers to have shown outstanding effort during the year.
- 3. Principal's RARE Award** - Seeks to recognize those students who, by their daily actions, best exemplify the traits we value -- Respect, Accountability, Responsibility and Esteem.
- 4. Presidential Academic Education Award** - Given to each student who has a final average grade of 90 or above in each academic subject in each of the last three years.
- 5. Mildred D. Berkowitz Book Award** - Named after a former Middle School teacher, this award is given to the equivalent of one student per homeroom who exemplifies Mrs. Berkowitz's love of the English language and appreciation for literature.
- 6. Karen A. Marchand Award** – Named after a former Middle School Guidance Counselor, this award is given to one or more graduates who have demonstrated commitment, caring and perseverance as judged by teachers and counselors.

**Handicap Parking and Seating:** Parking is available for those with handicapped permits. There are handicap parking spots in the town hall parking lot and at the high school. **If anyone in your party requires special seating, please contact Mrs. Costa at [donnacosta@dartmouthschools.org](mailto:donnacosta@dartmouthschools.org) by June 5, 2025.**

Attendance- If your child is not able to attend the ceremonies, please notify their homeroom teacher with a note to that effect, signed by a parent, prior to June 5, 2025.