

Welcome to our 8th grade Student and Parent/Guardian meeting



BIENVENIDOS A NUESTRA JUNTA DE ESTUDIANTES Y PADRES/TUTORES DE OCTAVO GRADO

Culmination and Other 8th grade Activities
Culminación y otras actividades del 8vo grado

8th grade Culmination/Culminación

Middle school Culmination is approaching!

Be proud of this accomplishment but realize it's not the end of the Journey. We are trying to prepare students for their high school experience.



Se acerca la culminación de la escuela secundaria!

Siéntete orgulloso de este logro, pero entiende que no es el final del viaje. Estamos tratando de preparar a los estudiantes para su experiencia en la escuela secundaria.

In order to participate in the culmination ceremony students need to have:

- **A 1.5 GPA or higher**
- **No more than 16 ODRs (Office Discipline Referrals) for the year . A student with excessive ODRs may be excluded from the ceremony. Most students have between 0-5 ODRs all school year, so more than 16 ODRs in the school year is excessive. This applies up to and including the day of culmination.**
- **No more than 16 unexcused absences for the school year, about 10%, which is chronic absenteeism. Please follow up with the MIT office to verify absences for illness etc.**
- **Cleared debt (no IT debt or textbooks owed)**

Para participar en la ceremonia de culminación:

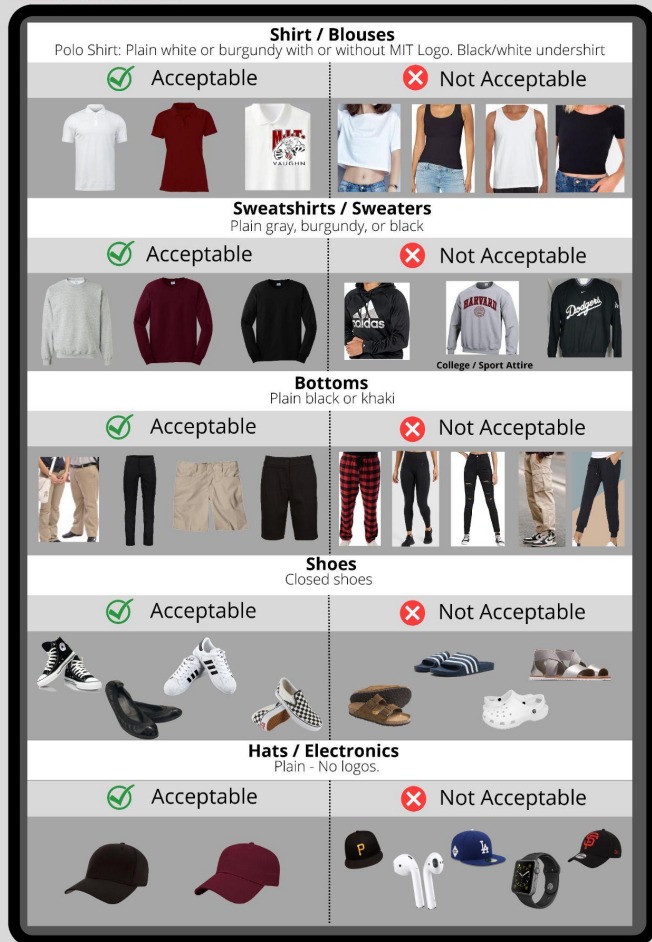
- **Promedio no menos de 1.5**
- **No más de 16 ODRs para todo el año escolar. Los ODRs son para infracciones más graves. (incluyendo ausentismo escolar o abandono de clases, peleas, drogas, armas, intimidación, acoso etc.) Estas referencias de comportamiento son manejadas por nuestro equipo administrativo/ decano, pero primero son ingresadas y atendidas por los maestros y otro personal.**
- **Cumplir con los requisitos de asistencia: no más de 16 ausencias injustificadas por el resto del semestre. Por favor llame a la oficina/envíe una nota.**
- **No tener deudas pendientes con la escuela (libros de clases, biblioteca, deportes, reparación de computadora etc.)**

Reminder MIRs (minor infractions) can't be "cleared". These are MIRs:

Los recordatorios MIR (infracciones menores) no se pueden "borrar". Estos son los MIRs:

Tardy to class (Secondary use only)	Student has been late to class on 4 occasions without a valid note/excuse.
YONDR Pouches	Student does not use the Yondr pouch in the manner it is required to be used. (ie, phone not locked, ear buds not locked, calculated damage to pouch so that it may not be locked or used)
Dress Code Violation	Student wears clothing/jewelry that is not within the school's dress code guidelines.
Eloping	Student leaves class and/or campus without permission and/or communication with teacher and/or other staff member.
Defiance	Student continues to refuse to follow directions after classroom level consequences are enforced or continuously talks back to teacher.
Plagiarism/Academic Dishonesty/Cheating	Student delivers a message that is untrue and/or deliberately violates rules. Student engages in copying during exams, quizzes, classwork, etc. Student submits work containing minimal revisions, summaries, and/or paraphrasing without using proper citations and/or quotations.
Indirect Inappropriate Language and/or Gestures	Student engages in low-intensity instances of inappropriate language (Pseudo swear words, non-assaultive swearing, dismissive message to adults or students).
Minor Property Damage	Student intentionally and/or accidentally causes damage to school property (writing in books, desk, classroom materials, furniture, headphones, hot spots etc).
Minor Technology Violation	Student engages in non-serious, but inappropriate use of cell phone, music/video players, camera, and/or computer (as defined by school wide tech use policy), such as taking pictures/video without consent, visiting inappropriate websites, utilizing cell phone during school).
Minor Theft	Student is involved by being in possession of, having passed on, or being responsible for removing someone else's property of little value, often on impulse and typically without intention of harm. (e.g. taking friend's pens, taking low value object from teacher's desk).
Minor Verbal Aggression	Student engages in taunting, teasing, making fun of another student, name calling, briefly screaming at peers or teacher.
Physical Contact/Aggression	Student engages in non-serious, but inappropriate physical contact showing low levels of aggression (Pushing or shoving).
Property Misuse	Student misuses school property for its intended use.

After receiving stamp in planner, being written up for an MIR, warning the student, and contacting parent/ guardian, students can get written up for an ODR for noncompliance with school policies (tardy, uniform, yondr pouch/phone, earbuds, chromebook, planner). We do send parentsquare messages and/or do phone calls to communicate/follow up. Después de recibir un estampa en la agenda, recibir una inscripción para un MIR, advertir al estudiante y comunicarse con el padre/tutor, los estudiantes pueden recibir una inscripción para una ODR por incumplimiento de las políticas escolares (llegada tarde, uniforme, bolsa/teléfono, audífonos, Chromebook, planificador). Enviamos mensajes a Parent Square y/o hacemos llamadas telefónicas para comunicarnos/hacer seguimiento.



Any clothing or accessory that depicts and/or refers to any form of profanity, violence, drugs, alcohol, vandalism, weapons, tobacco, sexual under/overtones, and promotion of gang/criminal activity or is offensive to any gender, race, religion, ethnicity, nationality or sexual orientation is unacceptable and not permitted.

Example: Uniform and Cell phone

Ejemplo: ☆ Uniforme y teléfono móvil ☆

- **Visible AirPods/ wireless earbuds, SMART Watches will be confiscated and sent to office**
- **Cell phones not in the Yondr pouch will be confiscated and sent to office**
- **Auriculares inalámbricos o relojes SMART visibles serán confiscados a la oficina**
- **Celulares visibles serán confiscados y mandados a la oficina**



Reminder ODRs can't be "cleared"/ Los recordatorios ODR no se pueden "borrar". These are the ODRs/Estos son los ODR:

Chromebook Damage	Student intentionally and/or accidentally causes damage to the chromebook
Truant (Secondary use only)	The student is late to class by 30 minutes or more without a valid note/excuse.
Cyber-Bullying	Student engages in the delivery of direct or technology-based messages that involve intimidation, teasing, taunting, threats, or name calling.
Direct Inappropriate and/or Abusive Language and/or Gestures	Student delivers verbal messages that include swearing, name calling, or use of words in an inappropriate way directed towards adults or other students.
Inappropriate Display of Affection	Student engages in inappropriate, consensual (as defined by school) verbal and/or physical gestures/contact, of a sexual nature, to another student/adult in a way that is disruptive for school (e.g. kissing, hugging for long periods of time, stroking, groping, sexual gestures on camera).
Major Technology Violation	Student engages in serious cell phone use, music/video players, camera, and/or computer (as defined by school wide tech use policy), such as sharing inappropriate content with other students and/or online platforms, using someone else's login credentials, impersonating and/or creating false accounts online, etc.
Alcohol	Student is displaying, in possession and/or under the influence of alcohol.
Drugs	Student is displaying, in possession and/or under the influence of drugs or possession of paraphernalia.
Arson	Student plans and/or participates in malicious burning of school property.
Bomb Threat	Student delivers a message of possible explosive materials being on-campus, near campus, and/or pending explosion.
Combustibles Use/Possession	Student is/was displaying, in possession of substances/objects readily capable of causing bodily harm and/or property damage (matches, lighters, firecrackers, gasoline, lighter fluid).
Weapon	Student is in possession of or displays (virtual) knives (> 6 in., < 6 in.) and/or guns (real or look alike), and/or other objects readily capable of causing bodily harm.
Major Property Damage/Vandalism	Student participates in an activity that results in destruction or disfigurement of property (walls, furniture, signage, chromebooks, school technology, etc).
Major Theft	Student is involved by being in possession of, having passed on, or being responsible for removing someone else's property of high value, stealing with a purpose and typically with a plan. (e.g. taking a student's cell phone, taking a laptop/Chromebook).
Threat	Student engages in references to weapons or acts of violence in conversation, writing, pictures, and/or actions.
Tobacco/Vaping	Student is displaying, in possession of or is using tobacco/E-cigarettes products.
False Alarm	Student deliberately triggers an alarm knowing it is false and no threat of harm is present.
Fighting/Physical Aggression	Student engages in actions involving serious physical contact where injury may occur (e.g., hitting, punching, hitting with an object, kicking, hair pulling, scratching, etc.).
Harassment	Student engages in the delivery of disrespectful messages in any format based on gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, race, religion, disability, physical characteristics, or other protected class. These subtypes are based on documentation from the U.S. Office of Civil Rights.
Bullying	Student engages in deliberate, repeated act, gesture, written, verbal, physical, or sexual act) with intention to hurt, insult, or threaten another person in school, on school grounds, or at school events.
Overt Disruption	Student engages in behavior causing a major interruption in a class or activity. Disruption includes sustained loud talk, yelling, or screaming; noise with materials; horseplay or roughhousing; and/or sustained out-of-seat behavior.

How can you help your student stay on track to participate in the culmination ceremony?

- Check their planner and sign weekly
- Encourage students to clear their Red stamps (“Office Tardy” does not require detention)
- Attend Parent conferences
- Check parentsquare/ email for teacher messages
- Check grades on Aeries periodically. Look for missing assignments on aeries, low scores, teacher comments
- Check google classroom for the work and teacher feedback

¿Cómo puede ayudar a su estudiante a mantenerse en el camino correcto para participar en la ceremonia de culminación?

- *Revise y firme la agenda del estudiante semanalmente.*
- *Anime a los estudiantes a despejar sus sellos rojos (“Office tardy” no requiere detención)*
- *Asistir a conferencias de padres*
- *Revise Parent Square/correo electrónico para ver los mensajes de los maestros.*
- *Verifique las calificaciones en Aeries periódicamente. Busque tareas faltantes, puntuaciones bajas, comentarios de profesores*
- *Revise Google Classroom para ver el trabajo y los comentarios de los maestros.*

When will I know if my student is not eligible to culminate?

¿Cuándo sabré si mi estudiante no es elegible para culminar?

Teachers and administrators will host conferences and provide notices for students at risk of not meeting these requirements. Conferences will include the student's parent/guardian in Sept., Nov., March and May, and more often as needed based on ODRs. Families will be officially notified of student ineligibility to participate in the Culmination ceremony after June 2nd.

*Students with serious or excessive infractions may be notified up to the morning of Culmination.

Los maestros y administradores organizan conferencias y proporcionaremos notificaciones para estudiantes en riesgo de no cumplir con los requisitos. Las conferencias incluirán a los padres/tutores del estudiante en sept, nov., marzo y mayo, y con mayor frecuencia según sea necesario según las referencias disciplinarias de la oficina. Se notificará oficialmente a las familias sobre la inelegibilidad del estudiante para participar en la ceremonia de culminación después del 2 de junio.

**Los estudiantes con infracciones graves o excesivas podrán ser notificados hasta la mañana de la ceremonia.*

Culmination Ceremony

Ceremonia de Culminación

- Location/**Lugar**: MIT@Vaughn



- Date: tentative in June, last week of school

Fecha: en junio tentativo en la última semana del año escolar

Additional culmination details will be sent on a flyer and on ParentSquare.

Más detalles sobre la ceremonia serán enviados a casa en un boletín.

***Parent & Student
Conferences***
**September 15 and 16th
in Room I**

**-Please bring the student with
their chromebook and planner.**

**-You will need it to log in and
check more specific details for
their classes on Aeries and
Google Classroom and the
stamps in their planner.**

***Conferencias de Padres y
alumnos:***
**15 y 16 de septiembre en
el salón I**

**Favor de traer: la AGENDA,
COMPUTADORA**

**Los necesitarán para verificar
detalles más específicos para sus
clases en Aeries y Google
Classroom y los sellos en su
agenda.**

8th Grade Activities and Costs

Thank you for coming to this parent/ guardian meeting. We have made this flyer of our upcoming 8th grade activities. Students will get it in advisory.



8th Grade Activities and Fees

Activity	Cost	Date	Description
8 th Grade Spirit T-Shirt/	Estimate: \$20	Ongoing starting in September	The 8 th grade Spirit T-shirt may be worn on Thursdays with free dress bottoms, as long as the student doesn't have uncleared tardy stamps from the week prior. Students can "clear tardy stamps" with 10 minutes of detention with an 8th-grade teacher. The Advisory teacher signs off to confirm this in the planner every Wednesday. The 8 th grade will start selling shirts in September.
Grad Night	Estimate: \$75- the cost is for the ticket to Six Flags and the bus transportation	Tickets on sale starting in October, online only Event in May	Grad Night is a private 8th-grade reward event at Magic Mountain. It is not a Vaughn-sponsored event. A 3rd party company hosts the online sale. The special night is only for 8th graders and chaperones from various middle schools between 6-12 pm. There are behavior requirements to attend since we do not want to send students who might get themselves into trouble or get the school banned from attending in the future. Students must pay for any school debt, like unpaid technology repairs, before paying for a Grad Night ticket. Students must clear IT debt during the year before going to Six Flags at the end of May.
Panorama Picture	Estimate: \$20	Spring Semester, usually in April	The Panorama Picture is a special keepsake of the 8th grade class. It is the picture of everyone in 8th grade and the teachers. Students must be in uniform for the picture.
Yearbook	Estimate: \$25- \$30	Online sale starting in January	The MIT yearbook may be purchased, but yearbook sales are online only. Prices are not final as this is provided through an outside company. Yearbooks get delivered to the school in June if purchased online by April.
8th-grade Fun Day	Free reward; must meet participation requirements	June	This fun event will be for scholars who are on track to culminate. This is a walking field trip to a nearby park for a day filled with fun activities. *We will ask for Parent chaperones as we approach the field trip.
Culmination Ceremony	Free reward; must meet participation requirements	June	Scholars participating must meet the Culmination criteria. The ceremony is in the last week of the school year, but the exact date is to be determined. 

We will provide more detailed flyers and ParentSquare messages as we get closer to the events.

Costos de las Actividades del 8° grado

Gracias por asistir a esta reunión de padres/tutores. Vamos a mandar este folleto para dar una idea de nuestras próximas actividades de octavo grado.



Costos de las Actividades del 8° grado

Actividad	Costo	Fecha	Descripción
Camisa del 8° grado	Estimado: \$20	En curso, empezando en septiembre	La camiseta Spirit de 8° grado se puede usar los jueves con pantalones de vestir gratuitos, siempre y cuando el estudiante no tenga ningún sello de tardanza sin borrar de la semana anterior. Los estudiantes pueden servir tiempo para las marcas de tardanza con 10 minutos de detención con un maestro de octavo grado. El maestro asesor firma para confirmar esto en la agenda todos los miércoles. El octavo grado comenzará a vender camisetas en septiembre.
Noche de graduación	Estimado \$75- el costo cubre el boleto a Six Flags y el transporte	Evento en mayo 29	La Noche de Graduación es un evento privado de recompensa para los alumnos de octavo grado en Magic Mountain. No es un evento patrocinado por Vaughn. Una empresa externa gestiona la venta en línea. Esta noche especial es solo para alumnos de octavo grado y sus acompañantes de varias escuelas secundarias, de 6 a 12 de la noche. Se requieren ciertas normas de conducta para asistir, ya que no queremos enviar a estudiantes que puedan meterse en problemas o que provoquen que la escuela sea expulsada en el futuro. Los estudiantes deben pagar cualquier deuda escolar, como reparaciones tecnológicas pendientes, antes de comprar una entrada para la Noche de Graduación. Los estudiantes deben saldar sus deudas de TI durante el año antes de ir a Six Flags a finales de mayo.
Imagen panorámica	Estimado: \$20	Semestre de primavera, generalmente en abril	La imagen panorámica es un recuerdo especial de la clase de 8° grado. En este momento, estamos contratando una empresa de fotografía y el precio puede ajustarse. Es la foto de todos los alumnos de octavo grado y de los profesores. Los estudiantes deben llevar el uniforme para la foto.
Anuario	Estimado: \$25- \$30	Venta online a partir de enero	Se puede comprar el anuario del MIT, pero las ventas del anuario se realizan únicamente en línea. Los precios no son definitivos ya que se proporcionan a través de una empresa externa. Los anuarios se entregan a la escuela en junio si se compran en línea antes de abril.
Día de diversión para 8° grado	Recompensa gratuita, debes cumplir con los requisitos de participación	junio	Este divertido evento será para los estudiantes que están en camino de culminar. Esta es una excursión a pie a un parque cercano para pasar un día lleno de actividades divertidas. *Solicitaremos padres acompañantes a medida que nos acerquemos a la excursión.
Ceremonia de Culminación	Recompensa gratuita; debes cumplir con los requisitos de participación	Final semana en junio	Los académicos que participen deben cumplir con los criterios de culminación. La ceremonia será la última semana del año escolar, pero la fecha exacta aún está por <u>determinar</u> .

Proporcionaremos folletos y mensajes de ParentSquare más detalgados a medida que nos acerquemos a los eventos.

8th grade only activities- please keep an eye out for more information and flyers coming about:

8th grade Culmination Agreement for parent/guardian to sign. You will get another copy to keep.

Contrato de culminación de 8vo grado para firmar. Recibirá otra copia para conservarla.

8th grade T-Shirts (September)

Camisetas del 8º grado (Septiembre)

Private Event (not a Vaughn field trip, eligible students only): Grad Nite @6 Flags Magic Mountain-- ((online ticket sales only for this non-Vaughn event; eligible students only)

Paseo para unos alumnos de 8º grado (venta de entradas únicamente en línea para este evento ajeno a Vaughn; solo para estudiantes elegibles)

Questions/ Comments

Please sign the Culmination Agreement, and have the student return it to their Advisory teacher. Let us know what questions you have.

Thank you for attending!

Preguntas/ Comentarios

Por favor firme el Acuerdo de Culminación y haga que el estudiante regrese al maestro de asesoria. Háganos saber qué preguntas tiene.

¡Gracias por atender!

Support



- Educare Before-school program (parent must sign student up)
- **Planner Checks** in Advisory
- Updating grades on **Aeries and google classroom**
- Teachers offer **office hours** where students can get more support (at nutrition or after school)
- Intervention After School support (parent permission required)
- Students in **FLEX Intervention** class period 6

Apoyo

- *El programa Educare antes de la escuela (Estudiantes necesitan ser registrados por sus padres)*
- *Se revisan las agendas cada semana*
- *Calificaciones actualizadas regularmente en Aeries y el Google Classroom*
- *Los maestros ofrecen horas de oficina donde los estudiantes pueden obtener más apoyo (en nutrición o después de la escuela)*
- *Intervención de apoyo después de la escuela, (se requiere permiso de los padres)*
- *Alumnos en clase de Intervención FLEX periodo 6*

Field Trip/**Excursión** – Natural History Museum

Thursday/**Jueves** 9/12/24

There is no cost for students or chaperones.

School lunch will be provided

Students must wear their Vaughn polo/Uniform to attend the field trip.

Chaperones Needed

Please fill in the Parent Chaperone
[google form](#) sent on parentsquare/
posted on the Google classroom
Announcements page

No hay costo para estudiantes ni acompañantes.

A los estudiantes se les dará un almuerzo escolar.

Se requiere que vengan en uniforme los estudiantes para asistir a la excursión.

Acompañantes Voluntarios

Por favor llene el documento de Google
para padres acompañantes que
encontrarán en ParentSquare o
publicado en la página de anuncios de
Google Classroom.



8th Grade Panorama Picture Day:

día de fotografía panorámica de octavo grado

All students must wear their uniform for the Panorama Picture Day! **Students are not allowed to wear their sweaters or backpacks during the picture.**

All Orders due Tuesday, March 19th, it is \$20 CASH ONLY.

Money must be turned into Advisory Teacher, they will get a receipt. If teacher is absent, students can submit order to Ms. Rodriguez room 316.

¡Todos los estudiantes deben usar su uniforme para el Día de la Foto Panorámica! No se permite a los estudiantes usar suéteres o mochilas durante la fotografía.

El ultimo dia para ordenar la foto será el martes 19 de marzo cuestan \$20 SÓLO EN EFECTIVO.

El dinero debe ser entregado al Maestro del periodo 0, recibirán un recibo. Si el maestro está ausente, los estudiantes pueden enviar el pedido a la Sra. Rodríguez, salón 316.

Reminder: Grad Night 6 Flags Magic Mountain

Are you eligible to attend?

Eligibility requirements to attend the event are:

- minimum 1.0 GPA for the Spring semester by May 22nd
- No more than 4 MIRs in the Spring semester
- No more than 3 ODRs in the Spring semester
- No more than 3 uncleared refocus/ tardy/uniform stamps from January through May
- No outstanding school or IT debts
- An egregious behavior violation **including the day of the event** may result in exclusion (ie. drugs, fights, etc.)

¿Eres elegible para participar?

Un Recordatorio de los requisitos para asistir son:

- GPA mínimo de 1.0 para el semestre de primavera antes del 22 de mayo
- No más de 4 MIR en el semestre total de primavera
- No más de 3 ODR en el semestre total de primavera
- No más de 3 sellos de reenfoque/tarde/uniforme sin autorización de enero hasta mayo (cada sello requiere 10 minutos de detención para ser eliminado)
- No tener deudas escolares o con el departamento tecnológico pendientes
- Una violación de comportamiento atroz, incluida en la semana o día de Grad nite (i.e. drogas, pelea, etc.)

The money for Grad Night is due April 2nd. We check for student GPA and ODRs/MIRs and stamps May 22nd and begin notifying students who are no longer eligible

YEARBOOK UPDATES/ NOTICIAS SOBRE EL ANUARIO

The link to purchase the yearbook online will be sent out in October. A Parent square message will be sent and the information will be posted on the 8th grade google classroom announcements page.

El enlace para comprar el anuario en línea se enviará en marzo. Se enviará un mensaje por Parent Square y la información se publicará en la página de anuncios de octavo grado en Google Classroom.