

April 2019

Dear Eighth Grade Students and Parents:

Students and staff have begun to prepare for the eighth grade end-of-year activities. These events will prove to be an exciting culmination of your Timothy Edwards experience.

Promotion and Dance

The Promotion Ceremony will take place on Friday, June 14, 2019. The schedule is as follows:

Indigo	8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
Pacific	10:00 a.m - 11:00 a.m.
Cobalt	11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

The 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony is an honorable event, and the students are asked to dress nicely.

Parents and guests will use the Entrance C doors and report to the auditorium. The ceremony will begin promptly in order to adhere to the schedule. At the conclusion, parents are invited to return to a designated area to meet with students and staff for pictures and brief student recognition. Tickets will not be issued since there is ample seating. **Please note that seats will ONLY be reserved for those that are handicapped and those presenting awards. Also, seating for one team can only take place after the previous group vacates the auditorium. Parking will be restricted before 8:00 a.m. and you will be directed to available parking. Those attending the Cobalt ceremony will need to leave the parking lot by 2:00 p.m. in order for buses to arrive.**

The dance will be held on Friday June 14th, in the T.E. cafeteria and will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at 8:30 p.m. The PTO funds this final event and we appreciate their generosity! The evening's events provide a special memory. Again, students are asked to dress nicely.

Class Trip

On Thursday, June 13th, the class trip will be held at High Meadow in Granby, CT. We will be spending the day there participating in a host of activities, including swimming, volleyball, ping-pong, tennis, softball, basketball, and dancing to a disc jockey. The cost of the trip will be \$65.00, which includes an unlimited buffet, all activities and bus transportation. The only activity which would require additional funds the day of the trip is horseback riding which is available on an individual basis at \$20.00 per ride. Either **cash or credit card** are accepted for this horseback riding activity. Beyond that, students need to bring a bathing suit, a towel, sunscreen and a change of clothes.

This trip will be chaperoned by eighth grade teachers and staff. As with any field trip, all school rules apply. Each student's behavior may determine whether he/she is permitted to participate in this or any other activities.

Class Trip Logistics

For our trip to High Meadow, we will be leaving Timothy Edwards at approximately 8:15 a.m. and returning to T.E. at 3:30 p.m. Please make arrangements to pick up your child. Permission slips and payment of \$65.00 (checks payable to **TEMS** or cash) will be collected in homerooms no later than **Friday, May 3rd**. It is critical that students hand in their completed permission slip and payment.

If you have any questions about either event, please feel free to contact the office at (860) 648-5030.

Sincerely,

Nancy Larson
Principal

Jarrid Clifton
Associate Principal

HIGH MEADOW PERMISSION SLIP

Please return the following permission slip along with payment of \$65.00 cash or check made payable to TEMS to your homeroom teacher by Friday, May 3rd. Thank you!

_____ (print full student name) has my permission to attend the Grade 8 outing on Thursday, June 13th to High Meadow Camp in Granby Connecticut. I will hold harmless Timothy Edwards Middle School, its teachers and school official for any financial liability or obligation which my child personally incurs, or injury or damage to the person or property of others which my child causes or contributes to while participating in the trip.

The South Windsor Board of Education is the sponsor of field trips. Given the uncertainty of global events and the concern for the safety of participants, the South Windsor Board of Education reserves the right to cancel a trip without any liability to participants. Should any field trip be cancelled for the reason of safety, the South Windsor Board of Education, its staff and agents assume no responsibility or liability for financial loss, inconvenience, or disappointment as a result of the cancellation. If a field trip is cancelled, students will not suffer negative academic consequences.

I understand that my child is responsible for exercising caution and common sense at all times to avoid injuries and will remind him/her that school rules and behavioral expectations are in effect for the entire trip.

Parent Signature

Please check one:

	My child will be picked-up at TEMS at 3:30
	My child will take the late bus from TEMS at 4:05