

# POUGHKEEPSIE MIDDLE SCHOOL

“TOGETHER, WE ARE CHAMPIONS FOR CHILDREN”

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## 8th grade moving up letter

Dear PMS 8th Grade Families,

It is with great excitement that I announce the return of our 8th grade Recognition Ceremony. In the past, this has been known as our 8th grade Moving Up Ceremony. Due to the pandemic and the challenging times our students have faced, we have modified the requirements to participate in the ceremony. Previously, a student was allowed to participate only if they were passing all 4 core content classes. **This year we will allow students who are passing 3 out of 4 core classes to participate.** (The core classes are English/Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies. A passing grade is a 65 or better average for all of the marking periods.)

The ceremony will look a little different in regards to previous years. This year it will be held under a tent on the Poughkeepsie Middle School grounds. The ceremony will be held at 11 A.M. on June 24, 2021. Every participating student will be entitled to bring two guests.

As we approach the end of the year, arrangements for this prestigious event are still being finalized. Please keep stressing to your child the importance of finishing the school year strong and doing their best.

I look forward to seeing everyone on June 24, 2021 at Poughkeepsie Middle School.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Behr

8th Grade Assistant Principal, Poughkeepsie Middle School

We are champions of children who inspire and nurture the whole child by providing innovative, high-quality educational opportunities that prepare all students to embark on individual paths of success in a globally diverse community.”