



Class of 2023 Promotion

The Future is Bright

Huntington Beach, California – Friday, June 23, 2023 – Promotion Edition

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Ceremony Location and Time

Friday, June 23, 2023
From 2:00PM - 3:00 PM
On the Front Lawn

8th Grade Promotion Form and Fee

Promotion costs, which include the gown, commemorative class t-shirt, digital photo, program, and promotion event fee, are covered by contributions from the students' families. Please complete the [Promotion Order Form](#), which is available in English and Spanish, and submit payment by **April 17, 2023**. Please contact the office if you need access to a computer or assistance due to financial hardship.

Gowns

All students **MUST** wear a promotion gown as part of the ceremony. Gowns may NOT be altered in any way (no embellishments, alterations, etc.). Your student's height (including shoes) and weight must be clearly stated on the form. This helps the gown company properly size the gown. Families that already have a gown from a previous promotion do not need to purchase a new gown - select Package Two on the order form.

Class T-Shirts and Promotion Theme

A commemorative class t-shirt is being designed with our 2023 promotion theme of "The Future is Bright". T-shirts will be distributed the last week of May. We encourage all students to wear their t-shirt to the 8th grade activities and outings.

Optional Item for Purchase: Ribbon Lei

Black and orange ribbon leis from Hawaii are available by pre-order only on the Promotion Order Form for \$10.00. The purchase of a lei is optional.

Optional Item for Purchase: Program Message

If you would like to have a special message for your student printed in the program, it is available for purchase on the Promotion Order Form for \$5.00.

IMPORTANT 2023 DATES

April 3: Order Forms to Families
April 10-14: Spring break
April 17: **ALL ORDERS DUE**
April 26: Optional Portraits on campus
May 19: Deadline for Submission of Student Contests: Program Cover Art, Farewell Speaker, and National Anthem Vocalist
May 26: Student T-Shirts distributed (tentatively)
May 29: Memorial Day Holiday
May 31: Deadline for online yearbook order via www.jostens.com
June 1-2: Auditions for Farewell Speaker and National Anthem Vocalist
June 13: Distinguished Honor Roll Knott's Berry Farm Trip
June 16: Gowns & Leis Distributed
June TBD: 8th Grade Dance
June 20: 8th Grade Award Night
June 21: 8th Grade Knott's Berry Farm Trip
June 23: Promotion Ceremony/Last Day of School

SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY OF PROMOTION - JUNE 23

9:00-11:00 AM (the end time is an approximate time): Rehearsal (students only)

1:35 PM: Students must arrive to their assigned room/auditorium

1:35 PM: Guests may arrive on campus for seating

2:00 PM: Ceremony begins

3:00 PM: Ceremony ends

See Dwyer website for further details:
<https://dms.schoolloop.com/promotion>

Student Participation Opportunities:

Program Cover Art Contest

Calling all artists! We are conducting an art contest for the Promotion Program cover. This opportunity is open to all eighth grade students. Submissions are due by May 19, 2023. Your artwork should be inspired by our promotion theme of "The Future is Bright". Artwork should be turned into the office in the container labeled "Promotion Program Cover Art Contest". Your submission should be prepared with portrait orientation on 8.5" x 11" paper. Please write your first and last name on the back of the artwork. You may also submit your artwork to dwyerpromotion@gmail.com. Please include "[your name] 2023 Cover Art Contest" on the subject line.

Farewell Speaker Speeches

As a Dwyer tradition, we are seeking an outstanding eighth grade student author/speaker to bid a fond farewell to Dwyer with an inspirational speech at our promotion ceremony. If you are interested in writing and delivering a speech, tied to our theme of "The Future is Bright", and would like to be our 2023 Farewell Speaker, please submit your written speech via email to dwyerpromotion@gmail.com for consideration by May 19, 2023. Please include "[your name] 2023 Farewell Speaker Speech" on the subject line. Finalists will be contacted and auditions will be held June 1-2, 2023. We look forward to reading your submissions!

National Anthem Vocalist

If you are an aspiring singer and want to represent your eighth grade class by singing our National Anthem, please send your audition video to dwyerpromotion@gmail.com. Please include [your name] 2023 National Anthem Video on the subject line. The deadline to submit your audition video is May 19, 2023. Auditions will be held June 1-2, 2023.

Fun Outings

Dwyer is planning a fun trip to Knott's Berry Farm for our 8th graders. Pricing and more information will come from Dwyer administration in the coming weeks.

Important Promotion Information:

Parking

Parking will be extremely limited. Parking is available at First Christian Church and the surrounding streets. Please extend courtesy to our Dwyer and Smith neighbors. Note Dwyer and Smith students will be released from school at the time when guests will be arriving. There will be handicapped parking available at the Dwyer Gymnasium parking lot.

Seating

Family members and guests may enter the Dwyer grounds for seating beginning at 1:35 PM on June 23, 2023. The ceremony will be held on the lawn directly in front of the school. **Please do not arrive prior to that time; security will ask you to leave.** A family member may hold up to **six** seats maximum by sitting in the seats starting at 1:35 PM. Handicap seating will be available on first come first serve basis. It is only available for the handicapped person and one accompanied caregiver.

Headshot Photos

Photo House will be taking formal headshot photos on April 26, 2023. Photos can be purchased with the order form that is available in the office or online at <https://vando.imagequix.com/g1000998056#login>.

Promotion Ceremony Photography

A photo of your student with Mrs. Glemocki will be taken on the day of promotion. One free downloadable photo is included in the Promotion Package. The link will be sent via ParentSquare and posted on the Dwyer website. Additional printed photos may be purchased from the photographer using the link for the downloadable photo.

Guests are NOT allowed to stand near or behind the promotion stage.

As a courtesy, guests should refrain from standing on seats or standing in the aisle ways or in the areas to the left and right of the stage. Guests will be politely asked to return to their seats or vacate the premises.

Dwyer Step and Repeat photo stations will be available on the lawn to take family group photos with your personal camera after the ceremony.

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DWYER EIGHTH
GRADE CLASS OF 2023**