

Graduation Information – Class of 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The students, staff and graduation committee are working hard on plans to make graduation a fun and memorable time for your 8th grader. We have created this packet of information in the hopes that it will help with your planning for this big event held Thursday, June 8th! Please carefully review the information.

We have worked hard to keep graduation activities affordable and enjoyable for all. There is a one-time fee of \$50 for each student. This will cover the cost of the following:

- ❖ Graduation Breakfast
- ❖ Class of 2017 Memory Book
- ❖ Graduation Dance/Party (DJ and Food)
- ❖ Décor (Ceremony, breakfast, dance)
- ❖ Class Gift
- ❖ Graduation Ceremony
- ❖ Class of 2017 T-Shirt

A separate fee is required for the Nicolet Partner Dance. This charge is distinct since it is not only a Bayside activity, but attended by all schools feeding into Nicolet.

If you find these fees a strain for your family, please call the office at (414) 247-4201 or email Patty DeGraff at pdgraff@foxbay.org. Calls are confidential.

A special thanks to our sub-committee chairs:

Laura Pierri, Donna Albert, Nancy Lewander, Traci Schwartz, Katie McGregor, Jeanne Hilger, Pam Olson, Beth Meece, Becky Kops, Laurie Woods, Anne O'Donohue and Katie Javers

Please let us know if you have any questions. We look forward to celebrating with you and your graduate!

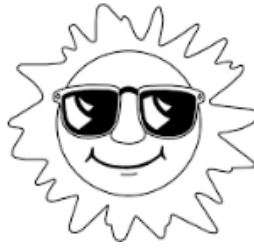
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8th Grade Graduation Committee Co-Chairs

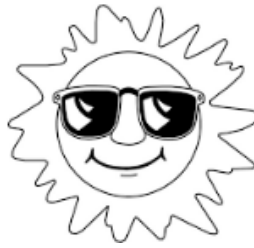
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8th Grade Graduation- Preliminary Information/Timeline **Thursday, June 8th, 2017**

- TBA** **Nicolet Partner Dance.** This dance is a mixer for all of the Nicolet School District 8th graders, regardless of where they will attend high school next year. Registration forms will be sent via 8th grade advisor emails and will be available online in the Daily Communication Folder.
- April 28th** **FEES, PERMISSION SLIP, BABY PICTURES AND SELFIES ARE DUE!**
- June 8th** **Graduation Day:**
- 7:30 am** **Graduation Breakfast** for graduates ONLY please. At the breakfast, students will receive their memory book, enjoy an inspirational speech and see a class video. Immediately following the breakfast, 8th graders will go to the gym to rehearse for graduation.
- 11:00 am** **Dismissal.** Eighth grade students will be dismissed at 11:00 am, provided they have turned in the enclosed permission slip signed by a parent. There will not be buses for the students; arrangements must be made by the parent or guardian.
- 6:00 pm** **Graduates & families arrive at BMS.** Please bring your ceremony tickets with you. Your graduate will not need a ticket but family members will. Seats are on a first come, first served basis.
- 6:30 pm** **Graduation Ceremony. BMS Gym.** Once the ceremony starts, tickets are not needed for any remaining open seats.
- 7:30 pm** **Reception, Graduation Dance – BMS commons/cafeteria.** Families are welcome to stay for a brief reception with refreshments just outside the gym. Students will enjoy entertainment and refreshments in the cafeteria. ALL STUDENTS SHOULD REMAIN IN THEIR GRADUATION ATTIRE- DO NOT BRING A CHANGE OF CLOTHES! All students are expected to attend.
- 10:00 pm** Please arrange to pick up your child promptly at this time. Thank you!

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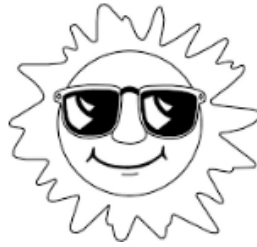
Graduation Ceremony Information

- ❖ Every family is allotted five (5) tickets for the ceremony. Your graduating child does not require a ticket. Please email Brenda Stelzer at Brenda@stelzbov.com by **Friday, April 28** if your family needs more than 5 or requires less than 5 tickets. We will certainly try to honor all requests (which is why it is extremely helpful for families needing fewer tickets to let us know), but cannot guarantee it.
- ❖ Graduation tickets will be distributed on May 8th from 3-4 pm, and prior to the BMS Spring Concert on May 10 from 6-7 pm. After May 8th, you may stop by the Health Office during school hours and pick up your tickets.
- ❖ Graduation attire- Boys are asked to wear dress pants (khakis are fine) with a shirt, tie and sport coat or suit. Girls are to wear a nice dress or a dressy top with skirt/dress pants. **NO JEANS, SHORTS OR LEGGINGS, PLEASE!**
- ❖ After the ceremony, there will be a brief reception for families. The Graduation Committee will set up 2-3 photo stations at which there will be a volunteer to take pictures of your graduate and family/friends.
- ❖ Graduation Dance will follow right after the ceremony.

Other Information

- ❖ **Class Gift:** It is customary for each class to leave a gift for the betterment of the school, the graduation gift. This year the students chose digital monitors for the Hallway and Cafeteria for their gift.
- ❖ **Memory Book:** The Graduation Committee is working on creating a memory book for the students, comprised of pictures, answers to a questionnaire that they will fill out, etc. Families are asked to provide a baby picture of their 8th grader and a selfie. Please see the flyer included in this packet for more information!

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Graduation Fee Payment Form/Permission Slip

Please complete this entire form and send it along with a check made out to Bayside Middle School to: Bayside Middle School, 601 E. Ellsworth Ln, Bayside WI 53217, or return it to the school office no later than Friday, April 28, 2017.

Graduate's Name: _____

Advisor Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent's contact phone number during dance: _____

GRADUATION FEE: \$50.00

Optional add'l donation to help BMS families for whom fees may be a hardship and to defray other graduation costs. THANK YOU!! \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Students will rehearse for the ceremony in the Bayside gym on the morning of graduation. Following rehearsal, students may leave Bayside at 11:00 am with parental permission or remain at Bayside until the end of the school day. Bus service will **not** be provided at 11am.

___ My student will remain at Bayside until the end of the school day on Thursday, June 8th

___ My student will be picked up by an adult at Bayside at 11:00 am on Thursday, June 8th.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

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8th Grade Graduation Request!

Then and Now!



8th Grade Families, Please:

1. Find a baby/toddler photo of your 8th grader to be included in the memory book and graduation slide show. Email it in the highest resolution with “student name-baby photo” in the subject line to: Donna Albert at laughbert@outlook.com.
2. If don't have a digital photo, bring the picture into the office and Julie Brockhus can scan it for you and email it for you. The finished size of the photo will be 2 ½ X 3 ½.
3. This year, we will also be adding a collage of "selfies" to the 8th grade Memory Book and we would like at least one selfie of each child. Individual or group pictures are fine, although please include the names of everyone in the group so we can make sure that each 8th grader is represented at least once. In keeping with this year's theme, NEON, pictures with bright colors or that represent a “bright” time in your child's life are encouraged!
4. Parents can send the selfie(s) with name(s) of students pictured to Donna Albert at 414-915-2423 or the email listed.

Deadline to be included in the memory book and slide show is **April 28st!**