

Dear 8th Grade Parents and Students,

We are excited to announce the Rites of Passage Crossing Over Ceremony for the 8th grade class of Calloway-Smith Middle School. This special event will be held on Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at 8:30 AM to honor our students as they transition from middle school to high school.

Participation Requirements:

To ensure this ceremony reflects the accomplishments of our students, the following criteria must be met:

- **Behavior:** Students must exhibit positive behavior during the 3rd and 4th quarters. Any student with consistent behavior issues will forfeit the opportunity to participate.
- **Academic Achievement:** Students must pass all classes to participate. Failure to pass any class will result in the student being ineligible for the ceremony and required to attend summer school to meet the 8th grade requirements before moving on to 9th grade.

Dress Code for the Ceremony:

We want our students to look their best for this memorable occasion. Please adhere to the following attire guidelines:

- **Girls:** Black dress (no strapless or spaghetti strap dresses), flat black shoes, white pearl necklace, and earrings.
- **Boys:** Black slacks, white button-down shirt, tie or bow tie, and black dress shoes.

Fees and Deadlines:

- The cost for the 8th-grade picture is **\$25**, which includes one 5x7 print and four 4x6 prints. Payment must be submitted by Wednesday, February 12, 2025. Pictures will be taken on Friday, February 21, 2025, during school.
- A **\$20** fee is required to cover the cost of the class shirt. The fee must be paid by Wednesday, April 30, 2025.

We believe this ceremony will be a meaningful and memorable event for all students and their families. Please encourage your student to maintain good behavior and academic effort as we approach the end of the school year. Students who do not meet the behavior or academic requirements will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony. We encourage you to maintain regular communication with your child's teachers to stay informed about their progress. Please address any concerns early, as waiting until the end of the school year may be too late to make necessary improvements.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at (251)221-2042. Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to celebrating this milestone with you.

Yours for better education,

Calloway-Smith Middle School



Dear 7th and 8th Grade Parents and Students,

We are excited to announce the 7th and 8th Grade Prom, a memorable evening for our students to celebrate together. The prom will take place on Friday, May 2, 2025, from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM in the school gymnasium.

Prom Details:

- **Cost:** \$35 per student. This fee covers admission, decorations, refreshments, and entertainment.
- **Payment Deadline:** All money must be submitted by Wednesday, April 16, 2025.

Dress Code:

To ensure the event is enjoyable and appropriate for everyone, students are expected to follow the prom dress code:

- **Girls:** Dresses should be semi-formal or formal. No strapless, spaghetti strap, or backless dresses are allowed. Dresses must be knee-length or longer, and midriffs must be covered. Shoes should be dressy but comfortable for dancing.
- **Boys:** Boys are expected to dress semi-formal/formal or wear dress slacks, a collared shirt, and dress shoes. A tie or bow tie is encouraged but not required. Jeans and t-shirts are not allowed.

Behavior Expectations:

- Students must maintain good behavior leading up to the prom. Any student with significant disciplinary issues will not be allowed to attend. This is a privilege, and we want to ensure the event is enjoyable and safe for all attendees.

We are looking forward to a wonderful evening of fun, dancing, and celebration with our 7th and 8th grade students. Please encourage your child to follow the dress code and behavior expectations to make this event a success.

If you have any questions, please contact us at (251)221-2042.

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