



# Waukegan Public Schools

Community Unit School District No. 60, Lake County, Illinois

Donaldo Batiste, Ph.D., Superintendent

**DANIEL WEBSTER MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
930 New York Street  
Waukegan, Illinois 60085  
Phone: 847-360-5484  
Fax: 847-360-5397  
**Joan Brixey, Ed.D, Principal**

March 17, 2008

Dear Parents/Guardians:

We are rapidly approaching the end of a challenging, yet successful school year. The anticipation of the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade reward activities, picnic, promotion dance, promotion ceremony, enrollment in high school, and summer vacation, all contribute to this exciting time for our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students. Webster's faculty and administration share in this excitement with your child.

As the 2007-2008 school year enters its final two months, your child will be held to the same academic and behavioral standards that have been in place since the school year began. Please realize that many of the end of year activities planned for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are privileges, not rights to which they are automatically entitled. The eighth grade reward activities, picnic, promotion dance, and the promotion ceremony are privileges for students who have successfully met the academic and behavioral expectations for Daniel Webster Middle School. If students must attend summer school in order to be promoted, they will not be allowed to participate in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade picnic, the promotion dance, or the promotion ceremony. The purpose of this letter is to ensure that every student and parent is aware of the standards and policies that have been set for participation in eighth grade activities. These standards and policies are also to guarantee that each individual student will be held accountable for his or her own actions.

Any student who does **not** meet the following academic and/or behavioral criteria listed below **will be excluded from the picnic, promotion dance, and promotion ceremony:**

**Academic Criteria:**

- Students must have a cumulative grade point average of **1.5 or higher** and **not** have to attend summer school in order to be promoted.
- Students must be currently passing **all** classes at the time of the activity.

**Behavioral Criteria:**

- Students must have **no out of school suspension days** from school during the fourth quarter.
- **All** detentions issued during the school year must be served by Friday May 23, 2008.
- Students must have **all school fines/fees paid** (fees may include, but are not limited to, library fines, temporary IDs etc.).
- **\*\*Students must have no more than 2 office referrals during fourth quarter.**

\*\* (For students who receive multiple office referrals, interventions will be made to correct the problem behavior and participation in activities will be at the team's discretion).

**The Eighth Grade Promotion Dance** will be held on Friday May 30, 2008 at the Greenbelt Cultural Center from 7:00-10:00 PM.

**The Eighth Grade Picnic** will be held on Tuesday, June 3, 2008.

**The Promotion Ceremony** will be held at the Genesee Theater on Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM. A reception will be held for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and their families at Webster Middle School from 12:45-1:30 PM in the cafeteria.

Thank you for your support in making Daniel Webster Middle School a safe learning environment in which students can be successful.

Dr. Joan Brixey, Mr. Lee Gaiser, and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade faculty

.....  
**PLEASE SIGN THIS PORTION AND RETURN TO YOUR CHILD'S HOMEROOM TEACHER BY Thursday, March 20, 2008**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read and understand the academic and behavioral requirements to be able to participate in the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade end of year activities.**

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**"A New Day, a New Way, a New Webster"**