Dear Parents/Guardians:

The students, staff and 8th Grade Promotion committee are working on plans to make graduation a fun and memorable time for your 8th grader. We have created this packet of information in hopes it will help with your planning for this big event held Thursday, June 7th! Please review the following information.

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

- Class Breakfast
- Class of 2018 Memory Book
- Promotion Dance/Party (DJ and food)
- Class Gift
- Promotion Ceremony
- Class of 2018 T-Shirt

A separate fee is required for the Nicolet Partner Dance. This fee is separate because it is not only a Bayside activity; it is attended by all partner schools. If you find these fees a strain for your family, please call the office at (414) 247-4201 or email Patty DeGraff at pdegraff@foxbay.org. Calls are confidential.

Special thanks to our sub-committee chairs:

Ceremony and Class Gift: Linda Emery, Jane Ramanujam, Jane Reyerson; Tickets: Kate Christensen; Program: Erica Harris-Day; Breakfast: Cindi Brier; Reception: Beth Gould; Memory Book: Lila and Tom Perez; Decorations and Dance: Michelle Karaffa, Shea McCreight, Janice Pfaffl; T-Shirts: Jennifer Wirth

Please let us know what questions you have. We look forward to celebrating with you and your student!

Your 8th Grade Promotion Co-Chairs,

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8th Grade Promotion – Important Dates

April 27th  Fees, Permission slip and Baby Pictures are due by this date.

May 12th  Nicolet Partner Dance - This dance is a mixer for all 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.

June 7th  Promotion Day:

7:30am- Class Breakfast for students only. Immediately following breakfast, 8th graders will go to the gym to rehearse for promotion ceremony.

11:00am- Dismissal. 8th grade students will be dismissed at 11:00am, provided they have turned in the enclosed permission slip signed by a parent or guardian. There will not be buses for the students; arrangements must be made by the parent or guardian. Students who remain at school will be supervised until 3:10 and will be dismissed at that time per their routine.

6:00pm- Eighth Graders and families arrive at BMS. Please bring your ceremony tickets with you. Your 8th grade student will not need a ticket but family members will. Seating is first come, first serve.

6:30pm- Promotion Ceremony. BMS Gym.

7:30pm- Reception, Promotion Dance- BMS Commons and cafeteria. Families are welcome to stay for a brief reception just outside the gym to take pictures. Volunteers will be available to help take photos. Students will enjoy entertainment and refreshments in the cafeteria. ALL STUDENTS SHOULD REMAIN IN THEIR PROMOTION ATTIRE; DO NOT BRING A CHANGE OF CLOTHES. All students are expected to attend.

10:00pm- Please arrange to pick up your child promptly at this time. Thank you!

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8th Grade Promotion Ceremony Information

➢ Each family is allotted five (5) tickets for the ceremony. Your 8th grader does not require a ticket. Please email Kate Christensen at kchristensen31@wi.rr.com by Friday, April 27th if your family needs more than 5 or requires less than 5 tickets. We will try to honor all requests (which is why it is extremely helpful for families needing fewer tickets to let us know), but cannot guarantee.

➢ Ceremony tickets will be distributed Monday, May 14th from 3-4pm at BMS. After May 14th, you may stop by the Health Office during school hours and pick up your tickets.

➢ Ceremony attire: Boys are asked to wear dress pants (khakis are acceptable) with a nice shirt. Some choose to wear a 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. Volunteers will be available to take pictures of your graduate and family/friends.

➢ Promotion Dance will follow immediately after the ceremony.

Other Information

➢ Class Gift: It is customary for each class to leave a gift for the betterment of the school. The students will vote on several options for a gift they want to leave Bayside Middle School.

➢ Memory Book: The Promotion Committee is working on creating a memory book for students comprised of pictures, a questionnaire and fun facts from 2017-2018. Families are asked to provide a baby picture of their 8th grader to include in the memory book. Please see the flyer included in this packet for more information.
Promotion Fee Payment Form/Permission Slip

Please complete this entire form and send it along with a check made out to Bayside Middle School, 601 E. Ellsworth Lane, Bayside WI 53217 or return it to the school office no later than Friday, April 27, 2018.

Student Name:________________________________________________________________________

Advisor:_______________________________________________________________________________

Parent Name:__________________________________________________________________________

Parent/Guardian contact number during dance:_____________________________________________

Student T-shirt size:____________________________________________________________________

Promotion Fee: $50.00

Optional additional donation to help BMS families for whom fees may be a hardship and to defray other promotion costs. Thank you! $_____

Total Amount Enclosed: $_____

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

______ My student will remain at Bayside until the end of the school day on Thursday, June 7th.

______ My student will be picked up by an adult at Bayside at 11:00am on Thursday, June 7th.

______ My student may walk home at 11:00am on Thursday, June 7th.

Parent Signature_________________________________________ Date__________________________

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8th Grade Promotion Request

Then and Now

1. Please find a baby/toddler photo of your 8th grader to be included in the memory book and promotion slide show. Email it in the highest resolution with “student name- baby photo” in the subject line to Linda Emery at linda500@msn.com.

2. If you do not have a digital photo, bring the picture into the office. The office staff will scan it and email it for you. The finished size of the photo will be 2½ x 3½.

3. Your 8th grader’s photo from Worzella will also be included in the memory book and promotion slide show. If your 8th grader has not had his/her composite photo taken, please call Worzella Photography Inc to schedule your child’s portrait session at 262-242-3663. There is no cost for the sitting, and no obligation to purchase photos.

4. Deadline to be included in the memory book and slide show is April 27th! Thank you for your help in this endeavor.

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