March 1, 2017

To: Eighth Grade Students & Parents/Guardians  
From: Michael Hans – Principal  
RE: END-OF-YEAR ACTIVITIES

With the school year quickly coming to a close, it is time to explain the end-of-year activities for 8th grade students. They are as follows:

1. **GREAT AMERICA TRIP** - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7 - ALL DAY  
   8th graders will report to school at 8:30 a.m. on June 7th. They will have room & bus assignments. Please report to your assigned room.

   Students will travel to and from Great America on our chartered buses. The buses will leave Lincoln School at 9:00 a.m. Students will report back to their bus by 3:30 p.m. for the return trip. Students should be back at Lincoln School by 5:00 p.m.

2. **REHEARSAL AND BREAKFAST** – THURSDAY, JUNE 8 – 9:00-1:00 a.m.  
   8th graders will meet in the Lincoln Middle School Multi-purpose room by 9:00 a.m. on June 8th to rehearse for the advancement ceremony. After the rehearsal, 8th graders will have a mid-morning snack with breakfast type food. Students will be excused at 11:00 a.m. to go home and get ready for the Advancement Ceremony.

3. **ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY AT LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL** - THURSDAY, JUNE 8 @ 1:30 p.m.  
   Advancing 8th graders will report to Lincoln Multi-Use room at 1:00 p.m. to prepare for the ceremony. A rehearsal will take place at Lincoln Middle School between 9:00-11:00 a.m. Please note: The ceremony will be at Lincoln due to Kofman Auditorium is closed while construction is taking place in the surrounding buildings.

4. **ADVANCEMENT PARTY** - THURSDAY, JUNE 8 – 6:30-9:30 p.m. - ELKS LODGE  
   Students will check in at the door and are expected to remain throughout the evening. If a student must leave early for some reason, they must be checked out by their parent/guardian. Parents/guardians are to pick up students by 9:30 p.m. unless other arrangements are made.

**ELIGIBILITY FOR 8TH GRADE ACTIVITIES**

Students must have satisfactory citizenship in order to participate in all of these activities (which means a student may not have more than ONE “U” grade in Citizenship), fulfilled the 20 hours of community service requirement, and passed the 8th grade portfolio requirement.

Students with two or more “U” marks on the second trimester report card will be placed on probation. Final eligibility will be determined based on the citizenship standing on June 5th, community service requirements, and the 8th grade portfolio. (Students who still have two or more “U” grades in citizenship, and/or have not completed both the community service and Portfolio requirements, will be notified on Monday, June 5th). Refunds will be given to students who have paid and become ineligible.
DRESS CODE FOR ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY AND ADVANCEMENT PARTY
Students are expected to dress appropriately. A suggestion for both the advancement ceremony and advancement party would be to wear the outfit worn for the 8th grade portfolio interviews. THE DRESS CODE FOR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES IS SPECIFIED IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL AGENDA.

COSTS
The cost for the trip to Great America, the reception, and the advancement party will be based on three different pay schedules ($75, $85, or $105) (students with passes to Great America will pay $30.00 less). This fee covers the cost of the ticket to Great America, the round trip bus transportation, the food for the rehearsal and the party, a disc jockey for the dance, a picture taken at the party, decorations, and other related expenses. No student shall be excluded due to inability to pay the costs, please contact the office if assistance is needed.

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS AND RULES
The activities are being planned for the pleasure and enjoyment of the advancing students and their families. Students who participate in these activities are expected to exhibit proper behavior and to cooperate at all times.

The advancement party is for Lincoln School 8th grade students ONLY. There will be no guests or dates from other schools and/or grade levels.

PLEASE NOTE: ANY STUDENT WHO DOES NOT RETURN ON THE BUS FROM GREAT AMERICA, OR WHO COMMITS ANY SUSPENDABLE OFFENSE DURING THE OUTING, WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE ADVANCEMENT RECEPTION OR PARTY!

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY
Students will be given 4 tickets for the advancement ceremony at the Lincoln Middle School field. There will be enough seats for 4 tickets per family, however there will be a standing area outside of the seating area for additional guests. Pick up tickets in the office on Tuesday, June 6th after school.

This is an outdoor ceremony, so please wear sunscreen and water bottles will be sold for $1.00 with the proceeds going to our LMS Cheerleaders. Parking will be available on the blacktop, but walking or rolling to the ceremony is encouraged. Parking and seating will not open until 1:00 p.m. Please do not show up early as our 6th and 7th graders will be in class until 12:25 p.m.

PERMISSION SLIP
Attached you will find two permission slips for these activities. Please complete both forms and return them to the OFFICE. Permission slips and money returned by Friday, April 14th will pay an “early bird” price of $75. After that date, the price goes up to $85 until Friday, May 12th. After Friday, the price will go up to $105. Money will NOT be accepted after May 31, 2017.
PERMISSION SLIP FOR:  

8TH GRADE END-OF-YEAR ACTIVITIES

In the event of an accident or illness, I do hereby consent to whatever x-ray, examination, anesthetic, medical, surgical or dental diagnosis or treatment and hospital care are considered necessary in the best judgment of the attending physician, surgeon, or dentist and performed by or under the supervision of a member of the medical staff of the hospital or facility furnishing medical or dental services.

*It is recommended that all students have medical or student accident insurance. If you do not have student accident insurance, it is available through AIG. You can enroll online at: www.studentinsuranceusa.com

A special note to Parents/Guardians regarding prescription medication/drugs:
(1) All drugs must be registered on this form;
(2) All drugs, excepting those which must be kept on the student’s person for emergency use, must be kept and distributed by the staff
(3) Check and initial here if there are special problems that the staff should be aware of and if any drugs are required on the trip;
(4) If medication or drugs are to be taken by the student, list them here: ____________________________  If your son or daughter has a special medical problem, kindly attach a description of that problem to this sheet.

As stated in California Education Code Section 35330, I understand that I waive all claims against the District, its officers, agents and employees for any injury, accident, illness, or death occurring during or by reason of this field trip or excursion, including acts of negligence by the District, its officers, agents or employers.

I fully understand that participants are to abide by all rules and regulations governing conduct during the trip. Any violation of these rules and regulations may result in that individual being sent home at the expense of his/her parent/guardian.

Student Name (please print): __________________________________________

Home Address: ________________________________________________________

Evening Phone: ___________  Cell Phone: ___________  Day Phone: ___________

Emergency Contact: ___________________________________________  Emergency Phone: ____________________________

Medical Insurance Carrier ____________________________  Policy No. ____________________________

Parent or Guardian Name (please print): __________________________________

Signature of Parent/Guardian: ____________________________  Date: ____________

Parent/Guardian signature reflects their knowledge and approval of the activity described above. This form must be returned to the school before the student can participate in the activity.
LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL

March 1, 2017

PERMISSION SLIP FOR: 8TH GRADE END-OF-YEAR ACTIVITIES

Dear Mr. Michael Hans, Teachers & Chaperones:

We have read, discussed and understand the dress code, behavior expectations and rules for the 8th grade end-of-year activities, and

(Student’s name as it appears on the Certificate of Advancement)

agrees to cooperate fully. Therefore, he/she has my permission to participate in the advancement rehearsal and advancement ceremony on June 8th and attend the Great America trip on June 7th.

Student’s Signature

Parent’s/Guardian’s Signature

Date

(Phone # where parent can be reached in case of emergency on June 7th Great America Trip)

PERMISSION SLIP AND MONEY ARE TO BE TURNED INTO THE OFFICE

_____ Returned by Friday, April 14 (early bird) - Enclosed is $75.00 (* minus $30 if you have a Great America Pass) to cover the cost of the Great America trip, rehearsal breakfast and party

_____ Returned by Friday, May 12 (regular price) - Enclosed is $85.00 (* minus $30 if you have a Great America Pass) to cover the cost of the Great America trip, rehearsal breakfast and party

_____ Returned by Wednesday, May 31 (late price) - Enclosed is $105.00 (* minus $30 if you have a Great America Pass) to cover the cost of the Great America trip, rehearsal breakfast and party

_____ * I have a Great America Pass and have subtracted $30 from the payment.

(No refunds will be given after May 31, 2017 unless the student becomes ineligible to advance.)

MAKE CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL