



March 29, 2019

Dear Parents of Cocopah Eighth Graders,

This has been a wonderful year so far with many activities and new experiences for all of us. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of several **exciting end-of-the-year activities for our eighth graders** and their moving up celebrations. All of the activities are meant to culminate students' achievements at Cocopah. There are academic, attendance and behavior expectations for participation in these activities. Students will be informed of these expectations. We also ask you to review these expectations with your child and support him/her in accomplishing these and joining their classmates on these milestone events.

Student Field Trip to Castles and Coasters – Tuesday, May 28th, during the school day - bus leaves at 8:30am

The students voted for this and we listened. Cocopah eighth graders will enjoy a day of fun and rides at Castles and Coasters. Includes entrance, golf, and lunch. (*Volunteers will be needed.*) *Early Bird cost \$35 / After April 27 \$40**

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Movie Day - Wednesday, May 29th

Student Dance - A Night Under The Stars - Wednesday, May 29th, 6:30-8:30pm (check-in at 6:15pm)

Sure to be a fun night that will be remembered as their middle school days come to a close. Food and beverages will be provided and students will be able to "find their groove and bust a move" - oh that was the 80's - but you know what we mean. Dress is smart casual (no strapless or midriffs showing). *Early bird rate \$30 / After April 27 \$35**

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Student Breakfast - Thursday, May 30th, 8:15-9:45am

A chance for students to be awarded by their teachers. This event is for students only. *No cost to attend. Fully funded by generous donations to the APT.*

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Promotion Ceremony - Thursday, May 30th, 10:00-11:00am

Students will be recognized with various awards on this last day before officially becoming 9th graders. The ceremony will be held in the gymnasium. As space is very limited, there will only be 2 invitations issued for each student. *No cost to attend.*

**Registration, payment and volunteer sign up for these events can be found online at CocopahAPT.com (home page)*

Parents Checklist:

1. **Print and fill out Form #1** for your student to participate in any of the above activities - Student Academic, Behavior and Attendance Expectations and return to 1st period teacher by **Friday, April 26, 2019.**
2. To celebrate their growth, please send a **baby/little kid photo + a current photo** (in .jpg format less than 3mb) of your child by email to cocopahgradpics2019@gmail.com by **Friday, April 26, 2019.** Include your child's full name with the email. Photos will be shown on a slide show during their lunch hour. Send questions to cocopahgradpics2019@gmail.com.
3. Visit the **CocopahAPT.com website home page** and register your child's place for *events if you would like them to participate. Please note than your child will not be able to participate in the Field Trip or Dance unless this registration form is filled out by **Sunday, May 19.**
4. To participate in the Student Field Trip print, fill out and return **Form #2 by Friday, May 24.** Please return this from to your 1st period teacher.
5. To expedite leaving after the Moving Up Ceremony with your student before the school day ends, print, fill out and return **Form #3 by Friday, May 17.** Please return this from to your 1st period teacher.



FORM #1
STUDENT ACADEMIC, BEHAVIOR AND ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS

Although it is our hope that all students are eligible to attend our year end activities, there are certain requirements for attendance. Please read carefully!

Any student who does not meet the academic or attendance requirements will be excluded from the following activities:

- Student Field Trip
- Student Dance

Beginning **Monday, April 1**, students will **not** be eligible to attend the Field Trip or the Dance if they receive any of the following:

- 5 Or more unexcused / unverified absences or 10 unexcused tardies 4th quarter
- An OSS (out of school suspension), ISS (in school suspension), or office referral (each referral would eliminate one of the above activities)
- One or more F's 4th quarter (grades will be checked on Friday, May 24)
- Owe any outstanding fines

Please note: If a student pays for the field trip/dance and then cannot attend due to failing grades, behavior, or attendance, the money is **not refundable**.

All students will be invited to participate in the Promotion Ceremony unless they are on a current suspension as per Code of Conduct.

Cocopah 8th GRADE SPECIAL EVENTS: ACADEMIC, BEHAVIOR AND ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS

I have read and understand these expectations and will support my student in maintaining these expectations for participating in these special events. This form must be returned for a student to be able to attend these events.

Print student name Student signature

Print parent name Parent signature

Date Homeroom Teacher

*****Return to your 1st period teacher by Friday, May 24*****



FORM #2

Scottsdale Unified School District

Parent or Guardian Permission for School Trip



Student Name and I.D. #:

School: Cocopah

Sponsor will file a copy of this permission form with the Principal's office at least 1 day before trip.

This permission form has been signed only after understanding and considering the following:

1. TRIP INFORMATION:

- a. Class that has arranged the trip: Cocopah 8th Grade
- b. Date of the trip: Tuesday, May 28, 2019
- c. Location/destination of the trip: Castles and Coasters
- d. Time leaving school: 8:00_____A.M.
- e. Time returning: 1:30_____P.M.
- f. Trip Supervisor(s): Nick Noonan
- g. Means of transportation: school bus
- h. Fee: \$ Included in moving up fees \$35-\$40_____. (See below*)

2. EXPECTATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS: I understand that the student is expected and the student has been instructed by me:

- a. To follow instructions given by the Trip Supervisor(s).
- b. Not leave or separate from the group without appropriate authorization from the Trip Supervisor(s).
- c. To follow all school rules during the trip and obey all laws and ordinances.
- d. To conform to usual and customary standards of good citizenship, good decorum, and common courtesy.
- e. Other expectations/instructions:

In the event that any of the above expectations or instructions are violated, the student's participation may be immediately terminated, a parent or guardian called to retrieve the student, and disciplinary action imposed.

3. ACCOMMODATIONS: If the student is disabled or requires special accommodations, those accommodations are attached.

4. PERTINENT MEDICAL INFORMATION: Please advise of any medical condition the teacher may need to be aware of, i.e. allergies, medications, etc.:

Please list the names of two parents and/or guardians that may be contacted.

Parent/Guardian #1 – Name:_____ Home Phone:_____ Work Phone:_____ Cell Phone:_____

Parent/Guardian #2 – Name:_____ Home Phone:_____ Work Phone:_____ Cell Phone:_____

5. CONSENT FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT: If any emergency procedures or treatment are required during the trip, I consent to the Trip Supervisor(s) taking, arranging for, and consenting to the procedures or treatment in the Supervisor's discretion.

Parent/Guardian's Signature:

Date:



FORM #3

EXPEDITED PASS - COCOPAH EARLY RELEASE FORM

For May 30, 2019 - 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony

Knowing that many parents and students may be excited to start their summer break early, we would like to help. If you would like to **leave with your student at the end of our 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony**, please note that this will be *before school officially dismisses* and in all cases an early release form will need to be completed.

In order to expedite this process and for the safety of our students, we request that you fill out the following information early and have your student submit this form to their 1st period teacher by Friday April 26, 2019. This **Expedited Pass can only be used by parents or registered guardians** who are leaving with their students. If your student plans to leave with someone else, like a friend, they will have to go through the office attendance line instead.

Students name:

Student's school ID:

Parents name printed:

Parent Signature: **Date:**

Parent Cell Phone Number:

After the event ends, please have your student and parent ids ready and join the **Expedited Pass** line.

Return to your **1st period teacher** by **Friday, May 17**

For office use only:

Checked by: date:

Verified by: