

March 2, 2018



Dear Parents and Eighth Grade Students,

Graduation is approximately 15 weeks away! This year is going by way too fast and the big day will be here before we know it.

This letter is full of important information for graduation: all aspects of the festivities. Pictures, rehearsal, and the Commissioning Breakfast. This letter will be posted on our website for your convenience.

### **Please Submit Pictures-**

Every year at graduation we have a slideshow to feature the students when they were younger, placed side by side with a current picture. Please start going through your pictures. I would prefer to have digital copy of those as soon as you can. We have a lot of events at the end of the year and we need to give our media department plenty of time to get this done.

- **Graduation slide show pictures are due Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>.**
- **One baby/toddler picture**
- **One current picture, digital photos are preferred**, but we will accept hard copies. Clearly label all photos with student's first and last name. Hard copies will be returned. Submit to me... Rachel Diede  
[rdiede@northshorechristian.org](mailto:rdiede@northshorechristian.org)
- **Two pictures total**

### **Commissioning Continental Breakfast-June 12, 2016 (for parents and student)**

We desire to commission our 8th grade graduates with words of encouragement and prayer as they transition from middle school to high school. Join us for a continental breakfast with a special message and NCA Alumni. We will close with a time of prayer over the 8th grade graduates.

- **Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>** help with decorations and setting up the tables in Auditorium 7:00am
- **Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> Commissioning breakfast- Auditorium 8:30-10:30am**  
students will be in graduation rehearsal from 10:30-12:00pm (no parents)
- If you can help, please contact me at [rdiede@northshorechristian.org](mailto:rdiede@northshorechristian.org)  
or at 425.322.2394 ext.1708

### **Rehearsal (Students and Staff)** Rehearsal is scheduled for **June 12<sup>th</sup> right after the commissioning breakfast.**

10:30am–12:00pm Graduation Rehearsal (for students and staff only, parents may pick up at 12:00.)  
12:00pm Students are dismissed for the day

### **Graduation**

**Arrival Time:** **All graduates need to arrive by 5:10pm.** We will have a group photo promptly at 5:30 pm. If you are late, you will not be in the picture. After the group photo, students are free to participate in individual photos and socialize until the meeting time.

**Pictures:** Pre-order forms for the group picture, by Dorian Studios Photography, will be sent home a week prior to graduation. **A group photo will begin at 5:30 pm.** Parents are not allowed in the auditorium during the group picture. Dorian Studios will begin taking individual and family pictures at 4:00pm. Students and parents are welcome to have their pictures taken ahead of time. Order forms for individual photos will be available at this time. At 6:15 pm students will meet in A-2 in preparation for the ceremony.

**Seating:** Doors to the auditorium will remain CLOSED until the group photo is completed. Afterwards, the doors will open for families to be seated. Reserved seats are *only* for graduates and for the family who purchased priority seating

at the school auction. All guests' seating, including graduates' families, is on a first-come first-seat basis. No tickets required.

**Ceremony Starts:** 6:30 pm

**Reception:** Approximately ½ hour in length immediately following the ceremony. The reception will be held in the main foyer / atrium area. Grads and families are free to leave at any time during the reception to attend to other family festivities.

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
<p><b>June 11</b></p> <p>8<sup>th</sup> grade students Wear something that represents the High School you're planning to attend.</p> <p>8:30-9:30am put posters in Auditorium w/HR Teachers.</p> <p>Set up for Comm.Breakfast</p>	<p><b>June 12</b></p> <p>8<sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Commissioning Breakfast: 8:30 – 10:30am</b> Auditorium Wear your "Sunday Best" <b>Rehearsal 10:30am-12:00pm</b></p> <p><b>GRADUATION</b> Arrive at 5:10pm Group picture at 5:30pm Ceremony begins at 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>June 13</b></p> <p>Parent Sponsored after Grad Event</p>

## Graduation Attire

As some of you are getting a jump start on buying graduation attire, here are the requirements: This is a ceremonious and dressy event, so the expectation is that your student will be in attire suitable to the occasion.

**Boys**—Dress shirt, tie, dress pants and dress shoes (no athletic shoes). Suits are optional.

**Girls**—Dress, or skirt and blouse, and dress shoes.

Here are some guidelines for you to keep in mind when you are shopping. The following dress styles are not good candidates for this event:

- Strapless dresses
- Dresses or blouses with plunging necklines
- Dresses with spaghetti straps (spaghetti straps with a shawl or sweater are okay)
- Dresses with one shoulder strap
- Dresses with cut-outs
- Dresses with see-through lace.
- Dresses/skirts/blouses that are excessively tight

The shortest part of dresses or skirts should be no shorter than two inches above the knee. A shawl/sweater, or a modest dress will be provided for your daughter if her dress does not meet the requirements given. If you are in doubt about a dress, please bring it in or send Mrs. Diede a picture of your daughter wearing the dress to see if it is a good fit for the event.

## Sample styles that meet NCA's Dress Code for Graduation



Sincerely,

Rachel Diede

Event Coordinator

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