



# Peru Elementary School District 124

## Northview Elementary School

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Dear 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents,

Congratulations on your children approaching the milestone of 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation! The Class of 2019 commencement ceremony has recently been established as Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Due to a limited amount of space, please try to arrive 30 minutes early to find a seat. We ask that seating on the floor be limited to the graduates and their immediate families, and the faculty of Peru Schools. All others will be asked to sit in the bleachers.

Each year, 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents have organized an after party/dance for the graduates. In the past, Peru District #124 and the Parent Teacher Club have provided financial support for the event, which results in great memories for the graduates without fundraising or donations required from the parents. A budget will be provided for a parent committee to plan and chaperone the dance with a DJ, student-friendly food, and the "Wall of Fame" which is created by the parents.

Are you interested in helping plan the dance this year? If so, we will have **the first planning meeting on Monday, April 1, 2019 at 5:30PM in the Parkside LRC**. At this meeting, we will review expectations and answer any questions or concerns you may have. If you are not able to attend the meeting but would like to help out, please contact another 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent and let them know. We hope to see you there!

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you and your student of several important details. As per the Student Handbook page 22, the graduation ceremony and 8<sup>th</sup> grade field trip are *privileges* that students must earn with good behavior and sound academic performance. First and foremost, students must successfully complete the curriculum by passing all of their core academic courses – Science, US History, Math, Language Arts and Literature. Students who are absent more than 10% of the year, have multiple office referrals or who are suspended in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester may also lose this privilege. Please work with us to assure a happy and successful end to the school year.

If you have any questions in the meantime, we can be reached at (815) 223-1111 ext 4.

Thank you,

Lori Madden, Principal

Sherri Pannier, Assistant Principal