

CITY TREE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

First Presbyterian Church • 320 Date Street • San Diego, CA 92101 • (619) 232-3794 • Fax (619) 232-2447

April 19, 2017

Dear 8th Grade Parents:

Graduation is fast approaching, and I'm sure that all of your students have only one thing on their minds: fashion! © It goes without saying that graduation is a special occasion and your students will want to dress the part. In preparation for the big day, here are some requirements for graduation ceremony dress to guide outfit selection.

All students are required to comply with most of the school's Free Dress Day standards as listed in the K-8 Parent Handbook. See exact guidelines as outlined below:

For Girls:

- 1. Dress up...but not TOO much! Plan to dress nicely (skirt and blouse, or dress) but please do not select formal outfits or gowns.
- 2. Shoes may be dressy, but students MUST be able to walk comfortably in them for several hours. **No high heels (greater than 1 inch)** are permitted.
- 3. Skirt/dress length must be long enough to allow for activity while being appropriately modest—no more than 3 inches above the top of the knee. Skirts may not be rolled at the waist in order to circumvent the length requirement.
- 4. Clothing must be in good repair without holes or stains.
- 5. No bare midriffs, **spaghetti straps**, or halter-tops allowed. No skin between the skirt and blouse may show.
- 6. All regular uniform code guidelines regarding makeup, hair, hats, and, fingernails apply on this occasion as well. See Parent Handbook if you need a refresher.

For Boys:

- 1. Dress up...but not TOO much! Plan to dress nicely, but please do not select formalwear. Boys must wear slacks, collared shirt, tie, (and coat if desired), and no jeans.
- 2. Shoes may be dressy, but students MUST be able to walk comfortably in them for several hours.
- 3. Clothing must be in good repair without holes or stains.
- 4. All regular uniform code guidelines regarding makeup, hair, hats, and, fingernails apply on this occasion as well. See Parent Handbook if you need a refresher.

On graduation day, <u>ALL 8TH GRADE STUDENTS MUST ARRIVE AT SCHOOL BY 8:15 AND PARTICIPATE IN GRADUATION REHEARSAL IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GRADUATION CEREMONY</u>. Students may wear their outfits to school (the 1st-8th awards ceremony is in the morning) or change during time allotted just before the graduation ceremony. Administration will double check all outfits beforehand to ensure they are suitable. *Please note that students who do not comply with the dress code standards will be asked to change. If you have questions or would like us to help previewing the outfit, please call or stop by.

Looking forward to the big day!

Becky Henzel

Middle School Director

8th Grade Important End of the Year Information

Friday, June 9

Free Dress for 8th grade. Some have asked about donating used uniforms, and we thank you! In order to facilitate donations by 8th grade families, students may come in free dress.

Monday, June 12

Our annual Memory Verse Beach Party will take place at Coronado Beach from 8:30-12:30. All students who have memorized their 30 verses for the year will qualify to attend. More information to come, but we always need parents to chaperone this event. Beach day will be followed by a yearbook signing party back at City Tree. This is open for all students to participate.

Tuesday, June 13

8:20 – School begins at the normal time. ALL 8th grade students must be in attendance at 8:20 to participate in graduation rehearsal. Students who miss all or part of rehearsal will NOT be able to participate in the graduation rehearsal. Come dressed in graduation clothing or change during the lunch break.

11:00am – Grades 1-8 Awards Assembly
12:00-12:45 – Break for lunch
12:45-Graduates meet in the back of the diningroom for graduation

1:00pm – 8th grade graduation ceremony 2:00 – Graduation reception (coordinated by 6th and 7th grade parents)

**Graduation Ceremony Dress Guidelines (see attached).

*We are requesting the help of 6th and 7th grade parents for the graduation reception. However, if you have requests or would like to help, please talk to Mrs. Henzel.

Please note: In order for students to participate in ALL of the above special events as well as any other school activities during the month of June, tuition accounts must have a zero balance, all borrowed library books, textbooks, and uniforms must be returned, and/or replacement fees paid to the office. Textbook and library book return deadlines will announced by teachers throughout the month of June. Outstanding tuition, uniforms, and other fees must be paid by the end of May.