

# Bear River Graduation 2015

Dear Parents of Eighth Grade Graduating Class of 2015,

Graduation will be held on Thursday, June 4, 2015, at Bear River School beginning at 6:30 p.m. outside in the quad area. The graduates will need to be at Bear River School by 6:00 p.m. The graduation celebration will be held the same night after the ceremony in the multi-purpose room and will continue until 10:30 p.m. Students must provide their own transportation to and from the graduation and the celebration. On June 4<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> grade students only will be dismissed at 10:30 a.m., following the Renaissance Rally. Regular bus transportation home will be provided at that time. This is also the last day of school and 4<sup>th</sup>- 7<sup>th</sup> graders will be dismissed at 1:10 p.m.

Requirements: Students must have at least a 2.0 cumulative grade point average, have at least 80 merits, and have been present at least 90% or 162/180 days of the school year to participate in the graduation ceremony and celebration.

Dress: Students will be wearing blue gowns. You will have 2 options for your student's gown. Your student can either borrow the gown during the graduation you can purchase the gown from us for \$20.00. This is a new system from previous years. If you already have a gown from 2005-2013, that gown may be worn. Gowns prior to the year 2005 may not be worn as they are from a different company and will not match the gowns we have now. If your student will be using a gown from a prior year please have him/her let the office know. The gowns will be handed out the week of graduation and will need to be pressed prior to the ceremony. Borrowed gowns will be collected immediately following the ceremony when the student's report to their homeroom to get their diplomas & report cards. Boys should wear a collared shirt and nice slacks or black jeans under their gowns with nice shoes. They may also wear a tie if they choose. Dress for girls should be dressy but not formal. Dresses or tops that have spaghetti straps or no straps **must have a cover-up. School Dress Code rules apply.** Shoe heels should not be too high and should have a back or back strap on them to prevent tripping. Also, they will be walking through the grass so wedge heels are preferable to spike heels. If you have a concern about the appropriateness of your students' attire, bring the item into the office and we would be happy to look at it. No shorts are to be worn at the ceremony or the celebration. Students will wear the same clothes they wear at the ceremony for the celebration afterward.

Diplomas: The official diplomas and report cards need to be picked up by the student in the student's homeroom immediately following the ceremony. **Diplomas will not be given if there is an unpaid charge** such as missing textbook, P.E. lock, lunch charge or overdue library book. The school office will be open until the 25<sup>th</sup> of June to accept books or payment.

Seating: There are no reserved seats; seating is on a first come, first served basis, with the exception of seats purchased as a raffle prize. There will be enough seating for all family members to attend. We encourage all attendees to be seated. Special note: If you plan to have balloons for your graduate, please leave them in your car until after the ceremony so as not to block anyone's view. Also, please do not bring umbrellas as they will hinder the view of the people in seats behind you. Thank you for your consideration.

Graduation DVD: Graduation DVDs will be available for \$10.00. If you are interested, please call or come to the school office to pre-order so that we know how many to produce (633-3135). They will NOT be mailed. You will need to pick up your copy in the office before June 25<sup>th</sup>.

Graduation celebration party: Parents are needed to help with the graduation celebration including decorating, food, chaperones and cleanup. If you are interested in helping with the celebration and have not already signed up, please contact Dolita Martin at 530-933-9721 or email her at [seeking\\_him\\_daily@hotmail.com](mailto:seeking_him_daily@hotmail.com).

Sincerely,



Angela Gouker, Principal

