

LUMBERTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

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We welcome you to 8th grade! Our eighth grade students are expected to be leaders in our school who make positive contributions as well as good choices on a daily basis. Participation in Class of 2016 activities (8th Grade Trip, 8th Grade Dinner Dance, Graduation, etc.) must be **earned** by good citizenship and decision making. As parents and educators, we want to consistently reinforce these expectations. In order to accomplish this, the following Demerit Policy will be instituted. As the year progresses, extenuating circumstances may require an administrative review.

EIGHTH GRADE DEMERIT POLICY*

75 Accumulated Demerits - ineligibility to attend the 8th Grade Trip.

100 Accumulated Demerits - ineligibility to attend the 8th Grade Trip **and** the 8th Grade Dinner Dance.

150 Accumulated Demerits - ineligibility to attend the 8th Grade Trip, the 8th Grade Dinner Dance, **and** loss of privilege to participate in the 8th Grade Graduation Ceremony.

It is our sincere wish for your child to have a successful eighth grade year academically, socially, and behaviorally. Please review **your** expectations for your child's eighth grade year with your child. We will certainly review our expectations for your child here at school. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Morley at (609) 265 - 0123, extension 3102.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation.

Mr. Peter DeFeo, Principal

Ms. Meredith Morley, Assistant Principal

*The language in the "Student Behavior Code" that refers to demerits being active for 30 days does NOT apply to these three specific 8th grade activities. This policy is strictly based on the **accumulation of demerits** from September 3rd until the date of the activity. 8th grade students may earn back demerits throughout the year, but once the accumulated total of demerits reaches the level of ineligibility for an 8th grade activity, the student is permanently restricted. Your child's demerit total may still drop below an activity's ineligibility threshold, but the student will continue to be ineligible for the specific 8th grade activity/activities.

Please read and return the tear-off acknowledging receipt of this letter and retain the above letter for your files.

We have read and understand the requirements for participation in 8th grade activities.

Student name _____ HR _____ Date _____
(Print)

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____