

# El Cerrito Middle School



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Dear Parents/Guardians of an El Cerrito 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Student,

Welcome to El Cerrito! We look forward to assisting you in making the transition a smooth one as you begin your journey through your first year of secondary school and continue your preparation for high school and beyond! One important piece of information you need to know about secondary school is that each grading period is very important and may impact your ability to fully participate in school activities (sports, clubs, activities, promotion, etc.).

As in the past, El Cerrito will continue to hold a special Promotion Ceremony for our students at the conclusion of their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year. In addition to the promotion ceremony, activities are planned each year for our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. It is important that students stay focused on their academics throughout their time at El Cerrito. Your 7<sup>th</sup> grade academic success may impact your ability to fully participate in all school activities (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade) and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade promotion ceremony. As always, we will continue to offer numerous supports for students throughout the years to ensure participation in these meaningful activities. Your cooperation and support are greatly appreciated!

## **8TH GRADE PROMOTION & ACTIVITIES REQUIREMENTS**

The Promotion Ceremony is the final school event for our students. It is a time for family, friends, and the El Cerrito staff to celebrate their success and promotion to high school. To ensure your participation in all 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade activities you must maintain a 2.0 or higher **cumulative GPA**. Students must maintain a 1.5 or higher **cumulative GPA** (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade) to participate in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade promotion ceremony. Therefore, the grades you earn in 7<sup>th</sup> grade will have an impact on your ability to participate in promotion activities.

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Seventh grade students and Parents/Guardians, please acknowledge receipt of this letter and the information regarding the criteria for students to participate in their 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade activities and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Promotion Ceremony by signing below. **Please return the bottom portion to your 5<sup>th</sup> period teacher by Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_