

**\*\*Please note the change in location for 8th Grade Promotion\*\***

February 1, 2018

Dear CHEP Parents and Eighth Graders:

The CHEP eighth grade promotion ceremony is scheduled for **Thursday, May 31, 2018**, from 3:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m., and will be held at the Garden Grove Community Center located in Garden Grove. As this is always a very special occasion for CHEP, we will need your help to make this a personalized and memorable event for each student.

We need pictures of your student for our video presentation. **We hope to receive at least 3 pictures per student: one baby/toddler, one current, and one family picture. Additionally, we would appreciate pictures of students involved in activities- Some ideas for pictures could include school projects, Art Fair/EXPO, CHEP classes, sports or hobby activities, and field trips.** Label each picture with the student's and CHEP teacher's name. We will make every effort possible to return all pictures to you. However, please be cautious about sending your only copy of a prized photo. If you prefer to send in your pictures on disk or email, please make sure the files are in ".jpg" format with a minimum 200 pixel/inch resolution. Please turn in or email all pictures to your CHEP teacher by **Friday, March 23, 2018**. Pictures received after that date may not be included in the presentation, which would be very disappointing for you and your student.

On **Wednesday, April 4**, CHEP will be holding interviews/auditions at the OCDE main office in Costa Mesa for students who are interested in speaking or performing at promotion. Auditions will be held, by appointment, beginning at 10:00 a.m., in Room D1009. The CHEP eighth grade promotion program is a major event that requires a substantial commitment from all students selected to participate in the program. The promotion program is similar to a theatrical production, and selected students must work as a team to pull the production together. Eighth grade students are selected to M.C. the program, be keynote speakers at the program, and highlight a few of the talents of the class of 2018. The interview and audition process assists the promotion committee in selecting students to represent the class of 2018. Many factors are involved in designing the promotion program. Representation from the three CHEP sites, the inclusion of a variety of talent, and students' level of commitment are a few factors considered in the selection process. The promotion committee reserves the right to edit, shorten, or alter selected student speeches and performances to ensure appropriateness and balance of the entire promotion program. The theme will be centered around the "5 C's" of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills- Collaboration, Creativity, Communication, Critical Thinking, and Character. Consider including how CHEP has helped you grow and develop one or more of the "5 C's," or describe how CHEP has helped develop your growth mindset with the speech or talent piece you are auditioning with. [Visit Google drive-song list to access the list of songs that we have selected for singers that align with the theme of this very special event.](#) Musicians and dancers may choose songs from this list, or perform with instrumental music. The OCDE main office is located at 200 Kalmus Drive, Costa Mesa. To schedule an interview/audition appointment or if you need additional information, please contact Dianna Chen at the CHEP North office, (714) 245-6457.

More information will be sent to you as promotion approaches. We look forward to working with you in celebrating this special milestone!

Sincerely,  
The CHEP 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Committee