



2014 CULMINATION INFORMATION ∞ AUDUBON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Date: Wednesday, June 4, 2014
Time: 9:00 am – 11:00 am
Location: Audubon Middle School Field
Parking: *Limited parking* will be available on the school playground
School Parking lot will open at 8:15 am – Enter School Parking on 9th Street & King Bl.
Street parking will be available on some neighboring residential streets

****8th Grade Students will report immediately to their Homeroom at 8:00 am.**
INELIGIBLE STUDENTS WILL NOT ATTEND THE AUDUBON CULMINATION!

Following the Culmination Ceremony (Recessional) – ALL 8th grade students will proceed in the recessional to their homeroom, where they will receive their actual Middle School Culmination Certificate. Students will be released by 11:15 am.

Graduation Tickets

1. On Friday, May 30, **five (5) graduation tickets** will be given to each ELIGIBLE 8th grade student as their names are called during the mandatory rehearsal. Extra tickets (if available) will be distributed after rehearsal on Monday, June 2, 2014.

REHEARSAL (Mandatory)

1. ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND THE COMPLETE REHEARSAL AND BEHAVE APPROPRIATELY IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GRADUATION CEREMONY.
2. Rehearsal information:
 - a. Monday, June 2 and Tuesday, June 3, 2014
 - b. 8:30am – Until we get it right!
 - c. Location: Audubon Auditorium and Audubon Field.

SPEAKER / SINGER TRYOUTS

Audubon Graduation Speaker Tryouts will take place on Thursday, May 29, 2014 in the library during 4. Graduation Speakers will be announced on Friday, May 30, 2014.

2014 Culmination Requirements:

- Signed ICP FORM – Signed by Parent in the Counseling Office
- Students must pass a minimum of 10 classes in the eighth grade year.
- A Passing grade of A, B, C, or D as the final academic mark – earn 50 credits
- PASS English 8 and Math Class (Algebra 1, Geometry, or Algebra Readiness)
- No MORE than 2 U's in COOPERATION / No MORE than 2 U's in Work Habits
- 95 % ATTENDANCE Rate – NO MORE THAN 10 ABSENCES for the year.

NON CULMINATING STUDENTS/ Ineligible 8th graders

Students who are NOT ELIGIBLE to participate in Culmination will report to school and remain in a designated classroom during the ceremony. Ineligible 8th grade students **WILL NOT** be allowed to attend nor participate in the culmination ceremony. In order to receive their certificate of promotion, needed for high school enrollment, they will **HAVE TO PAY ALL** outstanding balances due Audubon Middle School for lost/damaged textbooks, library fines, or PE uniforms.

Culmination Appeals and Delinquencies – Turn Over

APPEAL Committee:

1. Students will have an opportunity to appeal their eligibility for participation in the culmination ceremony by scheduling an appointment –Students who wish to have Appeal appointment **MUST** bring their parent/guardian and valid documentation that supports their appeal.
2. EACH APPEAL will last 15 minutes for student and parent to state their appeal before the committee.
3. Appeals will only be accepted for the following:
 - a. **ATTENDANCE:** 8th grade students who have not met the 95% attendance rate for the school year
 - b. **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** 8th grade students who have not met the required 20 hours of service.

NO APPEALS will be granted for **ACADEMIC GRADES** and failure to meet the LAUSD requirements.

AUDUBON SCHOOL DELINQUENCIES/ FINES/ FEES

1. If your name appears on any delinquency list (stop clearance), you may not participate in rehearsal or the culmination ceremony until it is cleared.
2. NO REHEARSAL = NO CEREMONY.
3. A Textbook Delinquency list is available in the textbook room. Letters will be mailed home to all 8th grade students if they owe for a lost or non-returned textbook.
4. A Library Delinquency list is available in the Library. Letters were mailed home to all 8th grade students if they owe for a lost or non-returned library book.
5. **ALL 8th grade Textbooks are DUE and will be collected by June 2.**
6. 8th grade students are expected to complete:
 - a. 8th Grade Handbook / Matriculation Form – Due THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2014
 - b. Clearance Form – signed by all appropriate offices DUE DATE: Friday, May 30, 2014
 - c. Service Hours – Due Friday, May 30, 2014

**Audubon Middle School & Gifted Magnet
Eighth Grade Matriculation Form**



Due: Friday, May 30, 2014

Student Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

_____ City

_____ Zip Code

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

What Grade level did you begin at AUDUBON MIDDLE SCHOOL? 6 7 8

If you came from another school, then what middle school? _____

Are you planning on attending college? Yes No /If yes, which one? _____

What is your Career goal? _____

Please provide the following information about your middle school attendance plans:

My middle school of residence (near your home) is: _____




What **High School** will you be attending when you leave AUDUBON? _____

Why?

What type of school is it? Magnet Charter Private School LAUSD/Public School Out of LAUSD

List any other high schools that you applied to for ninth grade: _____

AUDUBON REFLECTION CHART – CLASS OF 2014

Question	Senior Response – Please write your response
<p><i>YOUR Most Memorable Experience at Audubon MS</i></p>	
<p><i>Name the Best Field Trip you participated in while at Audubon Middle School.</i></p> <p><i>Where ? When? What class/teacher did go with?</i></p> 	
 <p><i>Please briefly describe your most exciting class assignment/project while at Audubon Middle School.</i></p>	
 <p>Faculty Member</p> <p><i>(Teacher, Coach, Staff Member) that you will miss the most? What will you miss about them? How did they positively impact your education or your life?</i></p>	



YOUR BEST ADVICE TO THE CURRENT 6th Grade Students –What do you know NOW that you wish someone had told you when you were in 6th grade?

Respond in one sentence:



COMMUNITY SERVICE.

How did the 20 Hours Affect You? What did you learn?
One Paragraph response.

Name: _____

Legacy I will leave Audubon Middle School:



Activities that I participated in at Audubon or that I represented Audubon:

(Please list any intramural teams or competitions, spelling bees, academic competitions, etc)
List School Activity Semester

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Awards/Achievements that I accomplished while at Audubon:



Achievement!



Award/Achievement

School Year/Semester

*(Example) Perfect Attendance Award

Fall Semester - 2013

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

In my Community, beyond Audubon I am involved in:

(Please list any sports teams, church, civic organizations or community activities, girl scouts, boy scouts etc.)

List Activity

Your Involvement

_____	_____
_____	_____

Task: 8th Grade Appreciation Letter - 8th grade students will identify one teacher/staff member at Audubon who assisted them on their journey to culmination. The gift of an appreciation letter shows your teachers what you learned from them, and that you appreciate their time, effort, and energy that they give Audubon students everyday. In two paragraphs or more you will write a thank you letter to a Teacher or Faculty Member who encouraged, inspired, or motivated you to learn, do your best in class, or to reach culmination. A few words of thanks is the best way for letting a teacher know that he/she has done a remarkable job.

***Outline:**

Introduction: Introduce yourself, remind them of what class you were in, and when they had you as a student.

Paragraph 1: Identify one specific thing you appreciate about their work, interaction with students, teaching style, classroom or project that you experienced while in their classroom.

Paragraph 2: What you will remember about them, something they taught you that will stick with you, and something you want the teacher to remember about you.

Close your letter by letting them know what school you plan to attend, and what goals you have for your future.

Dear Teacher: _____

Sincerely,

Student Name: _____

8th Grade Portfolio: Class of 2012

Your culmination handbook contains important information that you and your family will need to participate in Audubon Middle School's Culmination Activities. Please review this packet with your Parent/Guardian, your Period 2 teachers and your classmates.

Complete all required items in this packet – all signatures are due by Friday, May 30, 2014.

Please turn in early.

Important Dates:

Culmination Rehearsal – June 2 - (5) Culmination Tickets will be distributed to each eligible student.

Culmination Rehearsal – June 3

This handbook includes:

- Culmination Letter to Parents
- Culmination 2014 Information

8th Grade Portfolio Checklist / Items that must be completed: Your Choice

Option A You have TURNED IN all 20 Hours of Community Service	Option B 5 Community Service Hours
<input type="checkbox"/> Culmination Agreement	<input type="checkbox"/> Culmination Agreement
<input type="checkbox"/> 8 th Grade Matriculation Form	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 th Grade Matriculation Form
<input type="checkbox"/> Audubon Reflection Chart	<input type="checkbox"/> Audubon Reflection Chart
<input type="checkbox"/> Legacy of Activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Legacy of Activities
<input type="checkbox"/> Teacher Appreciation Letter	<input type="checkbox"/> Teacher Appreciation Letter
<input type="checkbox"/> Culmination Clearance Form – Required Signatures	<input type="checkbox"/> Culmination Clearance Form Required Signatures
You ARE DONE!	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of your Best English Assignment <input type="checkbox"/> OR College Essay

PROJECT OPTIONS:

Students may submit their senior project through two options:

Option A:

If you have met your 20 hours of community service you may simply turn in the completed checklist of required items.

Option B: Why I Want to Go to College Essay – Worth 3 Additional Community Service Hours

Turn in your completed required checklist plus add an essay for (3) Community Service Hours Essay must be a typed 5 paragraph essay answering the following question: Must be TYPED!

Tell us why a spot should be saved for you in college!

Your essay must include the following:

- *5 paragraphs, typed or neatly printed (introduction, body, and conclusion)*

Include:

- *Reasons that a college should hold a spot for you.*
- *Explain reasons why you want to go to college*
- *Discuss people who have inspired you about college*
- *What you think college will be like?*
- *What High School and College you want to go to and why?*
- *How you plan to prepare for college in high school and explain what you will change about your study, or learning habits to better prepare yourself for college.*

2014
CULMINATION CLEARANCE FORM

Please obtain all signatures and submit to the Counseling Office by May 30, 2014

STUDENT NAME: _____ Homeroom: _____

The student listed is cleared to participate in the culmination ceremony and owes no monies or materials to Audubon Middle School. This student has met all requirements of Los Angeles Unified School District and Audubon Middle School.

<i>Clearance</i>	<i>Required Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>
Library Clearance <i>(Student owes NO Library Fines)</i>	Ms. Garcia	_____
Textbook Clearance <i>(Student owes NO Textbook Fines)</i>	Ms. Thomas	_____
Attendance Clearance <i>(95% Attendance Rate)</i>	Ms. Hall/Ms. Brandon	_____
Academic Clearance <i>(U's, Grades, GPA Requirement)</i>	Ms. Flenorl- Counselor	_____
Community Service <i>(20 Hours Completed)</i>	Ms. Young, Principal	_____
*FINAL ELIGIBILITY	Mr. Avila, Asst. Principal	_____

*If you are unable to receive one of the above listed signatures, then you may appeal.

Request for an Appeal Appointment

Reason for Appeal

Attendance

Community Service Hours

Please explain your need for an Appeal to participate in the Culmination Ceremony.



Return this Signed Pledge to Ms. Young in the Counseling Office
No later than Friday, May 30, 2014

Student Name: _____ Homeroom: _____
(Please Print)

I have read the culmination information for the class of 2014 in this handbook including the guidelines listed in the Parent letter and agree to abide by them. I will do nothing that in any way would be disruptive to this graduation ceremony. I recognize the importance of graduation and the rights of my fellow students and parents.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

I have read the information in this handbook and have discussed the significance of the culmination ceremony with my 8th grade son/daughter in order to ensure proper and dignified participation.

I have reviewed the Dress Code for the Culmination Ceremony with my child. I understand that if my child wears inappropriate attire to the ceremony that my child WILL NOT be allowed to participate in the ceremony.

I understand that my child must meet all of the 2014 culmination requirements for eligibility in the Culmination Ceremony. Final Academic Grades will be reviewed on May 28, 2014.

I understand that my child must arrive at school and report to their Homeroom Class for check in at 8:00 am on the day of the ceremony – Wednesday, June 4, 2014

I understand that my child must meet /pay all School Fees/ Fines/ Delinquencies by Monday, June 2, 2014 in order to participate in the culmination ceremony.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____