

SOUTHWESTERN MIDDLE SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Guardians of 8th Grade Students,

To celebrate the successful completion of middle school and wish our students well as they embark on their new high school journey, we will have our 8th Grade Celebration on June 2nd from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium at Deland High School. Please mark your calendars for this event! All 8th graders who are participating in the celebration must attend a mandatory practice on May 31st from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Permission slips have been sent home and must be returned no later than May 4th. Students who are not on track for high school and/or have major behavior concerns will not be able to attend the practice and celebration; you will be notified if your student is in this situation.

Each student will receive three (3) complimentary tickets for family and friends to attend. After all tickets have been distributed, additional tickets will be available to purchase for \$5 each on a first come, first serve basis. You will be notified when additional tickets become available.

It is recommended that students dress nicely for this event, please no jeans, if possible. All attire should be appropriate for the setting and shoes should be comfortable for walking.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Dr. Swift via phone or e-mail at tlswift@volusia.k12.fl.us. We look forward to you joining us for this wonderful occasion!

Sincerely,

Dr. Swift
8th Grade Assistant Principal

MISSION STATEMENT

Southwestern Middle School guides students to develop a strong social and academic foundation for their future success.