

Dear CMS families:

Graduation is an exciting and rewarding time. Our graduates deserve a ceremony they can take pride in now and throughout their lives.

As a result, we ask all graduates, family members and guests to please be mindful of the following guidelines:

- Stand as graduates march into the graduation venue
- Show respect for all graduates
- Applaud politely for each graduate
- Limit cheers so every graduate's name is heard by all attendees
- Remain seated during the entire ceremony (including when taking photographs)

For safety and security reasons, and to keep the focus on our graduates, guests will not be allowed to bring the following items into the graduation venue:

- Flowers
- Duffel bags
- Fanny packs
- Backpacks
- Gifts
- Balloons
- Air horns
- Noisemakers

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools, in collaboration with local law enforcement, will provide security at all CMS graduations. Our goal is to allow our graduates and their families to enjoy this very special day without distractions. For this reason, we reserve the right to search all individuals and bags, including diaper bags and camera bags, as guests enter the facility.

Thank you for supporting your child throughout the K-12 experience and thank you for allowing us to serve you and your family. We know our graduates are prepared to compete in a global marketplace, and we look forward to their continued success.

Sincerely,



Richard B. Parker
Principal