ANTIOCH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

8TH GRADE PROMOTION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



Information for Students and Families

We recognize the importance of this milestone and are here to support every student. Below are answers to common questions about 8th grade promotion eligibility.

ACADEMICS

1. What academic requirements are needed to be eligible?

Students must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher and meet the district's promotion requirements for coursework and credits.

ATTENDANCE

2. What are the attendance requirements?

Students must have an attendance rate of 90% or higher for the year. Excused and unexcused absences both count toward the attendance rate.

BEHAVIOR

3. How does behavior impact promotion eligibility?

Students must follow the AUSD Student Code of Conduct.

- **First semester suspensions:** Students who receive a suspension during the first semester may still be eligible for promotion, provided they meet all other eligibility requirements.
- Students who receive a suspension in the **second semester** or commit a major behavioral infraction may be ineligible for the promotion ceremony.

PROMOTION VS. CEREMONY

4. What is the difference between promotion and the promotion ceremony?

Promotion is the academic decision to advance to high school. Participation in the promotion ceremony is a privilege earned by meeting academic, attendance, and behavior expectations.

SUPPORTS

5. What supports are available to help my student?

We offer tutoring, academic interventions, counseling, attendance support, and behavior resources. Talk to your student's counselor or teacher for help and to create a plan for success.

APPEALS

6. What if I believe there are extenuating circumstances?

Families may submit a written appeal for review by the Promotion Appeals Committee. Contact your school principal for details on the appeal process and deadlines.

OUR COMMITMENT

We are committed to helping every student finish middle school strong and transition successfully to high school. Thank you for partnering with us!

QUESTIONS? Contact your student's school counselor or administrator.

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