May 2025

Dear Eighth Grade Parents and Guardians,

As the school year comes to a rapid close, many exciting events are on the way for your child. In order to make the communication process more effective and efficient, <u>we are</u> <u>sending home one mailing which includes</u> <u>the following:</u>

◆Information regarding the 8th Grade Party –

June $6^{th} - 7:00 \text{ P.M.} - 8:30 \text{ P.M.}$

•Information regarding the 8th Grade End

of Year Trip – June 18th– 8:15 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

◆Information regarding the 8th Grade Awards Assembly - June 23rd – 9:00 A.M. – 11:15 A.M.

◆The 8th Grade Field Day – June 23rd – 1:15 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.

•The 8th Grade Breakfast– June 24th - 7:45

A.M. - 8:00 A.M.

•Rehearsal for Recognition – June 24th –

8:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

•Information regarding the 8th Grade

Recognition Night – June 24th – 6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. – Perry Tyson Field at SPF High School. In case of inclement weather, Recognition Night will be held in the Scotch Plains/Fanwood High School Auditorium.

•One permission slip - please return both pages. <u>One</u> <u>permission slip and one</u> <u>payment per student please.</u> Please note, there is <u>one</u> permission slip for all three events: the 8th grade trip, the 8th Grade Recognition Rehearsal and the 8th grade party.

You are asked to check the box next to the event for which you give consent and return both pages of the permission slip to your child's period one teacher by May 21st. There will be two items for you to check, indicating your consent. Each student must return a permission slip as they will be leaving the building for Recognition rehearsal. This permission slip is not connected to the PTA donation for the 8th Grade Party.

As a reminder, students receiving an in or out of school suspension, during the school year or who have earned a grade average of D+ or lower in any course, will forfeit their privilege to participate in the end of the year trip. Subsequent suspensions will result in a loss of the other end of the year activities. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kevin Holloway, Principal Mr. Ralph Gerace, Assistant Principal

In keeping with Terrill tradition, we have organized an outstanding trip for the eighthgrade students. This year, on June 18th, we will visit the Frogbridge in Millstone Township, NJ. At the resort, the students will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities including: softball, basketball, volleyball, swimming, boating, miniature golf, tennis, and soccer. The Resort has facilities for any type of weather! In addition, students will have lunch and an afternoon sweets & treats party at the Resort. Attached is the menu, as well as, the rules for the Resort. We are excited to invite your child to participate in this exciting experience.

Please complete both pages of the permission slip and return it to your child's first period teacher by May 21st. The cost of the trip is \$75.00.

Please submit a check/money order payable to SPF BOE written in blue or black ink with both pages of the permission slip. NO CASH PLEASE. No permission slips will be accepted after May 21st. One permission slip and one payment per student, please. This permission slip and payment is not connected to the PTA donation for the 8th Grade Party. <u>Please do not include</u> the donation for the party in your payment.

All students are encouraged to partake in this culminating year-end activity to celebrate their accomplishments and time at Terrill Middle School. Any student not attending the trip is expected to be in school on this day.

On Friday, June 6, 2025, Terrill Middle School will hold its annual Eighth Grade Party. The party will be held in the MPR from 7:00 to 8:30 P.M. The primary purpose of this activity is to have each departing eighth graders enjoy one final evening of camaraderie with their Terrill classmates. The PTA will provide light refreshments.

We would like to clarify some questions and misconceptions that inevitably arise each year in regard to the party.

In keeping with our school party policy, **guests are not allowed**. This includes all high school students as well as fifth, sixth, and seventh grade Nettingham and Terrill students.

Formal wear is not required; however, it is a semi - "dressy" occasion. Students should dress comfortably. For example, boys can wear nice slacks and a dress shirt or a polo type shirt. Girls may wear a cocktail type dress or nice pants. All students should wear comfortable shoes, and high heels are not recommended.

Both pages of the permission slip must be completed and returned to your child's first period teacher by May 21st, together with payment for the trip. This permission slip is not connected to the PTA 8th Grade Party donation.

<u>Students will not be released without an</u> <u>adult. Please be prompt when picking up</u> <u>your child.</u>

Students who arrive late to school or who request an early dismissal on June 6th will not be allowed to attend the 8th Grade Party.

In the past, this activity has proven to be one of the highlights of the eighth-grade year. We are encouraging all students to attend.

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to attend the annual *Eighth Grade Awards Assembly* on June 23, 2025 at 9:00 A.M. During this special ceremony, teachers and community members will honor students of the eighth- grade class in a variety of academic and extra-curricular areas. The awards assembly will be held in the TMS Auditorium.

Although all students will not receive an award, we invite all parents to share in this special experience. Please note that students will not be permitted to leave early following the awards assembly.

As we rapidly approach the end of the school year, it gives us great pleasure to invite you to a "**NIGHT OF RECOGNITION**" as we honor our eighth-grade students on their completion of Terrill Middle School.

We will hold this event on June 24th at the Perry Tyson Field at the Scotch Plains/Fanwood High School starting at 6:00 P.M. 8th grade students need to be at the High School no later than 5:00 P.M.

Since this is a dignified affair, we ask that students dress accordingly (no sneakers, jeans, t-shirts or shorts). Also, no high heels as they will destroy the turf field. In the past, many of our male students have chosen to wear a necktie and female students have worn skirts or dresses. We want to emphasize that although this is not required, it certainly has added to the significance of the occasion. Our sole purpose is to conduct a Recognition ceremony with a sense of respect, decorum, and proper etiquette. Because the event is being held outdoors, there is no seating capacity limit.

However, if there is inclement weather, we will move the event indoors to the SPFHS Auditorium at the same time. Additionally, in the case of inclement weather, there will be a **2-ticket limit per family**. We know that this process will allow for a comfortable environment in which all families may enjoy the ceremony. In the event of questionable weather, a determination will be made by 12:00 noon on June 24th. Tickets are only needed if the ceremony is moved indoors.

We look forward to seeing you on June 24th to celebrate the accomplishments of the Terrill Middle School eighth graders.

Both pages of the permission slip and a copy of this newsletter can be found on the front page of the Terrill website. Permission slips will be handed out to students during 1st period on May 6, 2025.

FROGBRIDGE RULES

To ensure a fun day, please follow the guidelines on these pages. You can also visit the website at www.frogbridge.com for a tour of the facility.

- Be sure you bring suntan lotion and towels.
- Wear your bathing suit under your clothes. There are no lockers.
- Do not bring electronic games, CD players, iPods, palm pilots or cell phones.
- Please leave all valuables including jewelry at home.

SWIMMING POOLS

Certified lifeguards to assure the safety of the students staff the swimming pools.

ATHLETICS

The day at Frogbridge includes the opportunity for involvement in different types of sporting activities. It is suggested that you wear loose fitting, lightweight clothes and sneakers or similar shoes. Wear your bathing suit under your clothes if you would like to swim and bring a towel. **Beach volleyball, miniature golf, wiffle ball, horseshoes, basketball, softball, bocce,** swimming, boating, tennis, are available to the students.

STUDENTS No large backpacks will be permitted; however, students can bring nylon drawstring backpacks. There are no lockers at Frogbridge to store personal items. STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR SECURING THEIR PERSONAL ITEMS, INCLUDING CELL PHONES.

Please leave all valuable items including jewelry at home. Terrill Middle School staff members are not responsible for student belongings should they be misplaced, lost, stolen, or damaged.

FIRST AID STATIONS

Although we will have our own nurse, first aid stations are located throughout the facility.

WE RETURN FROM FROGBRIDGE AT APPROXIMATELY 3:30 P.M. PLEASE BE PROMPT WHEN PICKING UP YOUR STUDENT AT 3:30 P.M. THERE WILL BE NO LATE BUSES AND STUDENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO WALK HOME.



MENU FOR FROGBRIDGE

LUNCH BUFFET:

SABRETT ALL BEEF HOTDOGS ANGUS BEEF HAMBURGERS VEGGIE BURGERS BARBECUE CHICKEN CORN-ON-THE-COB BEEF AND BEAN CHILI DUTCH OVEN BAKED BEANS COUNTRY POTATO SALAD CREAMY COLESLAW MACARONI SALAD PRIMAVERA PASTA SALAD GARDEN SALAD BRAND NAME SOFT DRINKS ICE TEA BOTTLED WATER

SWEETS & TREATS: FRESH BAKED COOKIES ASSORTED ICE CREAM FRESH WATERMELON POPCORN CART COTTON CANDY CART FROZEN SMOOTHIES

PLEASE CONTACT FROGBRIDGE DIRECTLY IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING FOOD PREPARATION.