



8th Grade Graduation

Assalamu Alaikum,

Dear Parents and Friends:

First, let me say I hope you and your family are safe and healthy as you read this letter. Graduation is approximately 12 weeks away! This year is going by way too fast and the big day will be here before you know it. Although it may seem difficult to believe, your child's middle school journey is rapidly drawing to a close, and we have been preparing his/her commencement ceremony. The purpose of the graduation ceremony is to create a formal setting to present each graduate the evidence of their academic achievement—the diploma. For parents and guardians, it is a moment filled with emotion and pride. This celebration of the 2025 ICCI Academy graduates is as important to us as it is to you. Please allow me to share some specifics with you for your planning purposes:

- Graduates need to arrive at 10:30am. The ceremony will take place on Thursday, May 22, 2025, at 11:00 am-1:00 p.m. in the old Bank of America building.

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- We will also have a small finger food reception after the ceremony. This will also be the time to take pics with your graduate. Grads and families are free to leave at any time during the reception.
- Graduation Fees are \$100 per student (including the field trip fees)
- Every year at graduation, we have a slideshow/video to feature the students. Please submit 3-6 pics of your child at different stages in their

lives. We have a number of events at the end of the year, and we need plenty of time to get this done, so kindly, go through your many pictures to choose from & submit by Friday, April 11. We would prefer to have digital copies if possible

- **8th grade field trip to Six Flags: TBD**
- **As some of you are getting a jump start on buying graduation attire, here are the requirements: This is a ceremonious and dressy event, so the expectation is that your student will be in attire suitable to the occasion.**
 - **Boys—Dress shirt, tie, dress pants and dress shoes (no athletic shoes). Suits are optional. Girls—long dress, or skirt and blouse, hijab, and dress shoes.**
 - **Here are some guidelines for you to keep in mind when you are shopping. The following dress styles are not good candidates for this event: • Strapless dresses • Dresses or blouses with plunging necklines • Dresses with one shoulder strap • Dresses with cut-outs • Dresses/skirts/blouses that are excessively tight* No Jeans!!!!**
- **This letter will be posted on our website for your convenience.**

Thank you in advance:

Ms. Manal Malluh