

Jesse Sherwood Elementary
“Striving for Life-Long
Learners”
Alice Buzanis,
Principal



Class of 2017

Information Packet

Alice Buzanis, Principal Kimberly
Easter, Assistant Principal Danielle
Beal, Counselor

8th Grade Teachers

Cynthia Troutman

Scott Kerkstra

Markita Anderson

Libra Duncan

Loretta Barnett



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Class of 2017 Informational Meeting
Parent Agenda
Wednesday, October 26, 2016
4:30 p.m. Library

- I. Welcome, Alice Buzanis
- II. Graduation Information – Kimberly Easter
- III. Dates to Remember –Markita Anderson
- IV. Graduation Fees-Loretta Barnett
- V. Promotion Policy – Cynthia Troutman
- VI. Behavior Plan/Class Dojo-Scott Kerkstra
- VII. Parent Portal-Libra Duncan
- VIII. Questions/Comments

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2016-2017

Dear Parents of Prospective Graduates:

This year's graduation will be held at the **Greater Harvest Missionary Baptist Church 5141 South State Street, Chicago Illinois** on **June 15, 2017 AT 9:00 a.m.**

We would like this special occasion to be a memorable one, filled with dignity and pride. We, at Jesse Sherwood Elementary, are asking for your support and cooperation in order to ensure that this day is a very special one for our graduates and families. Please be aware of the following regulations and standards of behavior on the attached sheets. All the items listed in this packet will be strictly enforced.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at 773/535-0829.

Again, we need your assistance in order to make this the special time for our 2017 graduates.

Sincerely,
Alice Buzanis, Principal

Jesse Sherwood Elementary
Alice Buzanis, Principal
Kimberly Easter, Assistant Principal
245 W. 57th St.
Chicago, IL 60621
773/535-0829

Dear Parents of Sherwood School's 2017 Graduates:

This year's eighth grade graduation will be held at 9:00 a.m. at Greater Harvest Missionary Baptist Church on **June 15, 2017**. The church is located at **5141 South State Street, Chicago Illinois 60609**. We are planning to make this special occasion truly memorable for your children and for you. In order to do so, we need your cooperation as we guide our young people.

Please read carefully all the following information and discuss it with your child. They should be able to answer your questions because at this time we handed the students these information sheets, we discussed each item in detail with them.

We want to ensure that your children share this important information with you so that you will be aware of any special events as well as the rules and regulations necessary for a smooth and safe graduation time.

Please be aware that eighth graders must meet the Chicago Public Schools Promotion Standards. Students must also adhere to all school and CPS rules and regulations in order to participate in graduation activities and events. Please see the attached sheets and refer to The Student Code of Conduct for additional information.

After you read and understand this information, please sign the Parent Agreement Form and have your child return it to their home room teacher. The deadline for returning the signed Parent Agreement Form is Friday, October 28, 2016.

Thank you for your cooperation as we look forward to a wonderful graduation season. Sincerely,

Alice Buzanis, Principal

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TICKETS

Each graduate will receive eight (8) tickets. These tickets should be used for family members only. No one will be admitted without a ticket. Children seven years old and older must have a ticket. We strongly suggest that babies and young children not attend. If babies must attend and begin to cry, please remove them from the church immediately. We want our graduates to receive all of the attention on their day.

SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND SECURITY WILL STRICTLY ENFORCE THESE REGULATIONS.

GRADUATION REHEARSALS

Graduates must participate in both rehearsals in order to be in the ceremony. Graduation rehearsal dates will be announced at a later time but are typically on the two school days prior to the graduation date.

ATTIRE

BOYS - Suit and tie, or other dressy attire. No gym shoes.

GIRLS—Dressy attire is required. Girls should wear heels that are comfortable and they are used to walking in.

ARRIVALS

Graduates arrive at 8:30 a.m. at the church. **DO NOT BE LATE**. Graduates will assemble in the church for final instructions, etc. Graduates are not to leave their assigned area once they arrive. Family members and friends are not to visit with graduates in the assigned area. This is to ensure that the ceremony begins on time.

PICTURES

Pictures and videos cannot be taken during the ceremony, unless done while remaining in your seat. School personnel and security will strictly enforce this regulation. The hustle and bustle this activity causes distracts enormously from the beauty of the ceremony. Pictures can be taken of individual graduates from your seats please.

FLOWERS

Flowers may be given to students AFTER the ceremony—outside of the church. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING BALLOONS IN THE CHURCH**. They are not allowed. The ceiling is very high and balloons can not be retrieved. Thank you in advance for your consideration.



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8th GRADE PICTURES TAKEN

FEBRUARY 14, 2017

9:00A.M.

SHERWOOD SCHOOL GYM

Various Price Ranges (not included in the final amount)

MILWAUKEE TRIP

ALSIP TRAVEL SERVICES

MAY 26, 2017

7:00 A.M.-8:30 P.M.

GRADUATION LUNCHEON

JUNE 2, 2017

ODYSSEY LUNCHEON CRUISE

10:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M.

BUS DEPARTURE FROM SHERWOOD AT 9:30 A.M.

AWARDS ASSEMBLY

JUNE 9, 2017

9:30 A.M. & 11:30 A.M.

SHERWOOD SCHOOL GYM

RIBBON PINNING CEREMONY

JUNE 12, 2017

2:30 P.M.

SHERWOOD SCHOOL GYM

Graduation packets-(Depending on what was purchased): ribbons, autograph book, deluxe diploma cover, graduation ribbon set, cap, gown, and class t-shirt. Students will also receive their class picture. (Students are responsible for keeping up with their tassels. There are no extras.)

GRADUATION – NEW LOCATION

JUNE 15, 2017

9:00 A.M.

Greater Harvest Missionary Baptist Church

5141 South State Street

Chicago Illinois 60609



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Itemized List of Items Purchased

Graduation Pak.....	\$70.00
Includes:	
Cap, Gown, and Souvenir Tassels	
Graduation Ribbons Sets	
Autograph Book	
Deluxe Diploma Cover	
Class T-Shirt (\$3.00 addl. cost for 1X or above)	
Ribbon Pinning Ceremony.....	\$15.00
Luncheon.....	\$60.00
Transportation to Odyssey.....	\$10.00
Yearbook.....	\$20.00
Eighth Grade Trip	\$110.00
Total Cost	\$285.00

ALL FEES MUST BE PAID BY MARCH 24, 2017

*PICTURES ARE NOT INCLUDED!

**BECAUSE ITEMS ARE PAID IN ADVANCE AND THERE ARE CONTRACTS INVOLVED,
THERE ARE ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS**



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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

**ALL MONEY SHOULD BE PAID BY
MARCH 24, 2017**

**PICTURES ARE NOT INCLUDED in this
payment of \$285**

Thank you for your cooperation.



Parent Agreement Notification Form



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I have received the graduation information from Jesse Sherwood Elementary School. I have read over the entire packet and have discussed each item with my child. I have also reviewed the promotion policy, the Student Code of Conduct, and understand that if my child does not meet all of the requirements of the promotion policy and the Sherwood Behavior Plan, they will not participate in the 8th grade activities and possibly the June graduation ceremony. I also understand that any behavior problems in and out of school can result in my child not participating in graduation activities and events.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student Name: _____

Room#: _____

**Overall appropriate conduct in and out of school and following school rules is mandatory to be involved with graduation activities. Inappropriate behavior will eliminate graduation participation.*