

8th Grade Graduation Banner Information

Dear Parents,

As part of the 8th grade graduation celebration, the students create their own banners to signify their uniqueness. The following are the guidelines used to help make the banners. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Miss Jordan, Mrs. Ronshausen, Mrs. Slama, or Mrs. Ruzicka. This project is to be done at home using felt purchased by the student. **Only felt may be used to make the banner.** There may be opportunities to work in the classroom, but it is the students' responsibility to complete the banner and turn it in by the specified date.

Banner Guidelines

Size: 18"X 22" (after a 2" hem at the top for a rod pocket)

Name: First and last name **MUST** appear somewhere on the banner in **2" block letters**. If you want to use larger letters for your name you may. Put your name on one line if it fits. If it is longer, put your first name above your last. **St. Gabriel and 2008 must also be included in your design.**

Content: Use symbols or logos that best signifies your personality, hobbies, talents high school, etc.

Method To Make Your Banner

- Make a small sketch first and color it in. Keep in mind that simple shapes are easier to cut from felt. If you have any difficulties, Miss Jordan will be happy to look at your design and give advice.
- Miss Jordan has 18" X 24" pieces of paper. You can draw your design on this and use it as a pattern to cut out your pieces. **Do NOT trace designs on felt with marker – use chalk.**
- Allow the top 2" for a hem for the rod. Please hem your banner before turning it in. The hem can be stitched or glued with a glue gun.
- Below the stitching for the hem, place your felt pieces in the design you planned. **Glue with a glue gun, only.** Small or tiny pieces can be glued with Elmer's white glue. If you do not have access to a glue gun have your finished pieces and background felt at school by **Wednesday, May 7th** and Miss Jordan will help you glue the banner together.

Tips To Remember

- 1) Only felt material may be used.
- 2) All cutting of letters and designs is to be done at home.
- 3) Have your banner and design at school by Wednesday, May 7th if you need Miss Jordan help to glue.
- 4) Can use puff paint or fabric paint on designs.

DEADLINES

Banners that need to be glued must be in by May 7th.

All finished banners are due to Miss Jordan by May 9th.

(The room mothers will attach the ribbon to the dowel rods.)