

September 2008

Dear Parents,

Graduation is a special event in a young person's life and a joyous time for the parents. Even though the students receive their diplomas from their home high schools, Options will hold a graduation ceremony on Monday, May 18, 2008 at 7:00 PM. The reason for this ceremony is two-fold. This event has special meaning to the staff at Options as we say good-bye to these students. Secondly, many of our students decide not to attend their home high schools graduations and we want them to experience this event and to be proud of their accomplishments.

Students may attend both graduation ceremonies: Options on Monday, May 18 and their home high schools' graduation later in the week. HHS on Wednesday, May 20, AHS on Thursday, May 21, and LHS on Friday, May 22. To participate in the home high school's graduation ceremony, all graduation requirements must be met by Friday, May 15. To participate in Options ceremony the student must meet the graduation requirements of his or her home school by the end of the semester or by the end of summer school. The tradition at graduation is to wear a cap and gown. Options graduation is a formal ceremony and students will wear a cap and gown. There will be no cost to the students for their caps and gowns. Options will pay for the cap and gown out of the school fees paid at the beginning of the year. Students will get to keep the cap, gown, and tassel after the ceremony.

The ceremony will be held at Littleton High School's/Performing Arts Theater. Each graduate will receive up to five (5) tickets for the graduation ceremony. The tickets will be distributed with the caps and gowns the Friday, May 8. If you do not need all five tickets please contact Julia Lyons 303/347-3595. Scott Murphy Superintendent of Littleton Public Schools, will deliver the graduation address. The ceremony will continue with a short slide show of the graduates and end with the students being congratulated on stage. After the ceremony, cake and refreshments will be served.

We also encourage several students to speak at graduation. If your son or daughter would like to speak, please have them contact Julia Lyons – Options counselor and sponsor for graduation.

**Finally, Options has graduation announcements and other high school graduation items available for you to purchase if you wish to do so. A Herff Jones representative will be at Options in January to distribute announcement informational packets to your sons and daughters. Herff Jones reps will return later in January to take orders. Last but not least, Options has worked with Herff Jones to make class rings for the graduates. A deposit of \$80.00 will be required for ring orders. We look forward to celebrating this wonderful occasion with you and your student.**

Sincerely,



Brian Hensman  
Principal