

8th Grade Activities Announcement

Dear Parents,

As we begin second quarter at Gateway Middle School, I would like to notify you of several events that are coming up for the 8th graders that have additional costs. This is not a permission slip, and money is not due for quite awhile, but we wanted to give you a heads-up on the fun activities that your 8th grade student might want to be involved in so you can start planning now. A summary of the events is listed at the bottom of this notice.

In November, the 8th grade will be taking a field trip to see *Catching Fire*, the second movie in *The Hunger Games* series. This will cost approximately \$8/student so we can cover the cost of the tickets and busses. This is more expensive than our earlier movie field trip because we did not have to pay for those busses. The field trip will be taking place the Monday or Tuesday before Thanksgiving. Students will be allowed to purchase food from the concession stands.

In May, students will have many activities to choose from. **These are ALL optional.** Last year's activities cost \$61/student if the students qualified for and participated in all of the activities. These activities included: a field trip to the City Museum (\$6), the yearbook (\$20), an 8th grade BBQ lunch for yearbook signing (\$5), the 8th grade Black and White Ball (\$5), and a 7th/8th grade field trip to Six Flags (\$25). We will offer these same activities this year and will try and cut costs if we can, but as of now, please plan on approximately \$60 if students would like to participate in all of the activities.

Please also see below to check on dress code for the various events, as some of the events require uniform or more formal attire.

If you have any questions, feel free to call Ms. Rogers at 314.241.2295.

Thank you,

Deborah Rogers
8th Grade Team Leader

Estimated Date	Event	Required Dress	Estimated Cost
Nov 26	Field Trip – <i>Catching Fire</i>	Uniform **NO cell phones	\$8/student Concessions available
May	Black and White Ball	Attire that is more formal than jeans Uniform is allowed Outfits must be appropriate – no bra straps showing, watch for low-cut or too tight of clothing	\$5/student
May	Field Trip – City Museum	Comfortable clothing – jeans allowed Outfits must be appropriate – no bra straps, spaghetti straps, or overly tight/low-cut clothing, no short shorts	\$6/student (lunch provided but concessions also available)
May	8 th Grade BBQ Lunch	Uniform	\$5/student
May	7 th /8 th grade trip to Six Flags	Comfortable clothing – jeans allowed Outfits must be appropriate – no bra straps, spaghetti straps, or overly tight/low-cut clothing, no short shorts	\$25/ticket plus cost of lunch student chooses to purchase at the park