

October 11th, 2019

Dear 8th Grade Families,

The process of planning the 8th grade activities for the rest of the school year has started. We will be forming an Eighth Grade Graduation Committee of parents to organize the following events:

- Class of 2020 Graduation Ceremony & Reception - Wednesday June 24th, 2020 (I.S. 289)
- 8th Grade Graduation Party – Tuesday, June 23rd, 2020 (TBD)
- Yearbook Production - To be distributed on the last day of school, June 26, 2020

In addition, we have planned some class trips:

- Class of 2020 Winter Day Trip - January 30th, 2020 (Campgaw Mountain, Mahwah, NJ)
- Class of 2020 Spring Day Trip – May 19th, 2020 (Camp Mason, Hardwick Township, NJ)
- Poet’s House - October and March
- Museum at Eldridge Street - April
- NYC Center of Aerospace and Applied Mathematics - Spring

This seems like a lot, and it is! In order for these events to take place, we need to plan AND we need to raise funds. The total cost for involvement in all the activities above is **\$240.00 per student**, but students can participate regardless of their ability to pay. We recognize that this is a significant amount for families and would like to offer the following options for payment:

Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
<u>One Payment</u>	<u>Two Payments</u>	<u>Monthly Payment Plan</u> (November - April)
Pay \$240 in full by May 1, 2020	Pay \$120 in January and \$120 in May	Follow a monthly payment plan (\$40 per month)

Three ways to pay:

Cash	Check	Credit Card
Please put cash in a sealed envelope with: - child’s name - child’s official class - Homeroom teacher’s name	Make a check payable to: IS 289 PTA. Be sure to write your child’s name on the Memo line and put it in an envelope. Have your child turn it in to his/her homeroom teacher.	Pay using your credit card using the IS 289 webpage . Some parent volunteers are working on this option. Please be patient with this and we will update you when it’s ready .

In addition, please consider making a donation of \$20, \$30, \$50 or \$100 for families who may not be able to cover the full cost at this time.

Sincerely,
The 8th Grade Teachers

RETURN THIS PAGE TO SCHOOL BY 10/18/19

Please complete this and return it to your child's homeroom teacher by **10/18/19**

Student name: _____

Class: 80 _____

Homeroom Teacher : _____

Please check all that apply:

_____ I will pay \$240 in full by _____

_____ I will pay \$120 in January and in May

_____ I will follow the monthly payment plan of \$40/month from November-April

_____ I will pay using a credit card.

_____ **I will sponsor another child in the amount of** _____

_____ At this time I'm able to pay _____ and will need some scholarship money

_____ **I'm interested in serving on the 8th Grade Graduation Committee**

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian email: _____

KEEP THIS AT HOME FOR YOUR REFERENCE

Option 3 (Monthly Payment):

You may send cash or check to school to complete the payment.

Please send all payments to school **in an envelope that is clearly labeled** with your **child's name, class** and **"8th Grade Graduation Payment"** on it.

- For **checks**, please put "8th Grade Graduation Payment" and your child's name on the memo line. Make checks payable to the **IS289 PTA**.

INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PLAN:

If you would like to pay for the 8th Grade activities in **monthly** installments, please follow the schedule below:

Payment #	Amount	Date Due
1	\$40	11/26
2	\$40	12/20
3	\$40	1/31
4	\$40	2/28
5	\$40	3/31
6	\$40	4/30

Please contact:

Jaclyn Maricle (jmaricle@is289.org)	Payment or Trip Concerns (More information to follow.)
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