

**Dear Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> Grader,**

Welcome to the Gateway community! We are thrilled that you will be joining us next year as part of our Gateway Middle School Class of 2020. Choosing to attend Gateway shows us that you are committed to your education and that you are ready to work hard to be successful. Great! We are eager to begin this partnership with you.

This mailing includes some important instructions and materials to complete your enrollment at Gateway Middle School. We ask that you pay close attention to the deadlines and if you have questions, please contact us. Here are some next steps for your enrollment:

**1. Submit all essential forms.**

- Math And Reading Assessment Scheduling Form.** Due Wednesday, April 26, 2017 to Gateway Enrollment Office.
- Final Record Release Form.** Due to your current school ASAP.
- Sweatshirt Order Form (Optional).**
- School Picture (Optional).** Please submit your most recent **school picture** for the school's photo board (wallet size) or another similarly sized photo. Please be sure to include your first and last name on the back of the photo!

**2. Put these important dates into your calendar!**

- **Sixth Grade Family Pizza Party** – Wednesday, May 3 (6 - 7:30PM)
- **Mandatory Sixth Grade Orientation** – Friday, August 18 (8:15AM-12:15PM)
- **Family Picnic & Workday** – Saturday, August 19 (9-3PM)
- **First Day of School** – Monday, August 21

**3. Begin your summer reading!**

- **Summer Reading Challenge.** Due August 21, on the first day of school. Be sure to review the summer reading assignment. Your goal is to read at least 30 hours this summer to prepare for 6<sup>th</sup> grade!

We are excited to welcome you into the Gateway community!

Sincerely,



Aaron Watson  
GMS Principal



GATEWAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math and Reading Assessment Scheduling Form

Every student is **required** to attend an assessment session. The information we gather at these sessions will enable us to create the appropriate academic program for each student. Each student will be administered both **Math** and **Reading Assessments**.

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Elementary School:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your **first** and **second** choices for the assessment dates below. We will contact you via email or phone call to confirm your date.

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday, May 4, 2017, 4 - 5:30PM

\_\_\_\_\_ Monday, May 8, 2017, 4 - 5:30PM

\_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday, May 9, 2017, 4 - 5:30PM

\_\_\_\_\_ Wednesday, May 10, 2017, 4 - 5:30PM

Assessments will take place at the Gateway Middle School Campus located at 1512 Golden Gate Avenue. Please be aware that parking in this neighborhood can be tricky so you may want to arrive a little early to find parking.



### Sixth Grade Family Pizza Party & Welcome Night RSVP Form

You are invited to a pizza party welcome on  
Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 6 - 7:30PM  
at Gateway Middle School.

- Yes, we will attend! We will be bring \_\_\_\_\_ # of people to the event.
- No, Unfortunately, we are unable to attend the event!

**PLEASE SUBMIT TO THE GATEWAY ENROLLMENT OFFICE BY APRIL 26, 2017:**

1430 Scott Street, San Francisco, CA 94115

FAX: 415-749-2716 \* EMAIL: [enrollment@gatewaymiddle.org](mailto:enrollment@gatewaymiddle.org)



# GATEWAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Final Record Release Form

### **TO THE STUDENT**

Please complete the first part of this form with your parent or guardian and then give the form to your current school's office.

Student Name (Last, First) \_\_\_\_\_

Current School \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

### **TO THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN**

Please read and sign the statement below.

I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ (current school) to release school records, including official transcripts, standardized testing results, attendance and IEP if applicable, on file.

Parent / Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **TO THE SCHOOL**

The student listed above has been accepted to and will enroll at Gateway Middle School. To aid our enrollment process, please send this student's official school records **at the end of the school year**, including report cards, standardized testing results, attendance records, cumulative file and IEP, if applicable. Thank you for your assistance.

Please send this information (including this form) to:

Gateway Middle School  
1512 Golden Gate Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94115  
Phone: (415) 922-1001  
Fax: (415) 922-1055



## Sweatshirt Order Form

It is time to order your Gateway Middle School swag to represent your Griffin pride!  
We have several options for you to choose from:

### 1. Hoodie \$30 (black on red or red on black)



### 2. Zippie \$35 (red on black)



### 3. T-shirt \$10 (red on black)



Unisex shirt

Fitted shirt



# GATEWAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Sweatshirt Order Form

Fill out the information on below and enclose cash or check made payable to *Gateway Middle School* in an envelope, and return your payment to our main office.

Orders received by **Monday, May 1** will be available for pick-up at the 6<sup>th</sup> grade Welcome Night on **Wednesday, May 3**. Orders placed after Welcome Night will be available the first week of school. Other Gateway items, such as water bottles, magnets, and decals will also be available for purchase at Welcome Night!

(Please return with **exact payment** in an envelope)

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ **1. Hoodie** \$30 (sizes available: YM, YL, S, M, L, XL)

\_\_\_ black on red    Size: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ red on black    Size: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ **2. Zippie** \$35 (sizes available: YS, YM, YL, S, M, L, XL, XXL)    Size: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ **3. T-Shirt** \$10

\_\_\_ Unisex (sizes available: YL, S, M, L, XL)    Size: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Fitted (sizes available: S, M, L, XL)    Size: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Number of Items Ordered:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Cost:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE MAIL OR HAND DELIVER TO:**  
Gateway Middle School, ATTN: Sweatshirt Order  
1512 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94115

# GMS WELCOME EVENTS

We are excited about welcoming our incoming 6th graders & their families! Please join us at the upcoming events!



## Sixth Grade Family Pizza Party & Welcome Night

**Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 6 – 7:30PM @ GMS**  
Join our community and other incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade families for pizza, introductions, and information!



## **ORIENTATION**

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grader WEB Mandatory Orientation (Where Everyone Belongs)

**Friday, August 18, 2017, 8:15-12:15PM @ GMS**  
6<sup>th</sup> graders will get to know future classmates, meet staff, tour the school, get their schedule, meet our fantastic 8th grade WEB leaders, and eat pizza!  
*There is also time for parents/guardians to drink coffee and chat with Principal Aaron Watson between 8:15-8:45AM.*



## Family Work Day

**Saturday, August 19, 2017, 9-1PM @ GMS**  
Lend a hand in our garden, classroom, and halls to get our school ready for the new year! Morning refreshments and snacks provided.



## Back-to-School Family Picnic and Potluck

**Saturday, August 19, 2017, 1-3PM @ GMS**  
Share your favorite dish and enjoy some BBQ with the larger GMS community. Meet current GMS staff, faculty, and families before the first day of school!

**ALL ACTIVITIES ARE AT GATEWAY MIDDLE SCHOOL!  
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (415) 922-1001**

# **GMS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

The following information will help you prepare for enrollment and success at Gateway Middle School!

**Q: When will I have more opportunities to learn about and meet others in the Gateway community?**

**A:** At Gateway, community is important to us! This Spring, we will be hosting a Sixth Grade Family Pizza Party & Welcome Night on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 from 6 – 7:30PM. There is also a Mandatory Orientation, Family Work Day and Back -to-School Picnic leading up to the first day of school. You'll have a chance to meet administrators, teachers, families and other students in the Gateway community.

**Q: When does school start?**

**A:** We have a Mandatory 6th Grade Orientation on Friday, August 18, 2017 from 8:15am-12:15pm and our first day will be on August 21, 2017. Once we have finalized the entire school-year calendar, it will be available on our website: [www.gatewaymiddle.org](http://www.gatewaymiddle.org).

**Q: How do we register our child in the San Francisco Unified School District?**

**A:** We will use the SFUSD Charter School Enrollment Form that you submitted with your enrollment response form to inform SFUSD that you will be attending Gateway. There is no need for you to contact SFUSD directly.

**Q: If I don't live in San Francisco, how do I apply for an Interdistrict Transfer?**

**A:** In order to enroll in the San Francisco Unified District, you must visit your home district office and apply to transfer. Once you do so, your home district will forward information to the San Francisco Unified School District. Any student who has been admitted to Gateway will be approved by the SFUSD for an Interdistrict Transfer.

**Q: What does Gateway Middle School expect of new students before the first day of school and should we expect more information in the mail?**

**A:** We expect all students to complete their summer reading/writing assignments and to attend our mandatory WEB Orientation on August 18, 2017 from 8:15AM – 12:15PM at Gateway Middle School. Over the summer, you will receive additional forms required to attend Gateway. These forms include emergency/medical information.

**Q: How can I get the latest updates about Gateway Middle School?**

**A:** Check out our website at [www.gatewaymiddle.org](http://www.gatewaymiddle.org)!