



Happy summer to rising 8<sup>th</sup> Graders and rising 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Families!

We hope that you are enjoying the beginning of your summer vacations! Undoubtedly, you are beginning to think about high school, so we want to ensure you are aware of your high school options and feel prepared for the high school process overall. It is our hope, of course, that you will want to remain with Gateway and attend Gateway High School. However, we also want to educate you about all of your options in San Francisco, so you can make a choice that is the best fit for you.

In the fall, we will provide you with a number of opportunities to get to learn more about the high school application process as well as to get to know Gateway High better.

#### **GMS Student High School Enrollment Education:**

**GHS Open House for GMS Families:** We will be offering a private Open House specifically for 8<sup>th</sup> grade GMS families. Meet Principal Fuller and members of the Gator faculty while learning about Gateway High's academic programs, curriculum, sports, clubs and extracurricular activities. We will also present an overview of the application process for Gateway High School. **This event will be held at Gateway High School (1430 Scott Street) and is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, September 28, 2017, from 6:00pm to 7:30pm.**

**GHS Shadow Visits for all GMS 8<sup>th</sup> Graders:** This fall, all 8<sup>th</sup> graders will have the opportunity to pair up with a Gateway High School student for half a day and "shadow" them through their class schedule. There is no need for you to schedule these shadow visits as we will be scheduling these for each and every 8<sup>th</sup> grader. This is a great opportunity for students to get to know Gateway High, but also to get a feel for high school in general.

**GMS Student High School Enrollment Workshops:** Ken Angelo will be facilitating high school enrollment workshops in 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes in the fall. These workshops are an opportunity for students to consider what they are seeking in a high school and to understand their options and the enrollment process.

**Additional Gateway High School Enrollment Events:** Again, it is our hope that you will want to remain with us next fall and attend Gateway High School, so here are a few opportunities to get to know more about Gateway High.

**Daytime School Tours:** Beginning in September, Gateway parents/guardians will have the opportunity to attend a tour during the school day at Gateway High School. During this tour, you will have the opportunity to meet Principal Michael Fuller. Online scheduling for these tours will begin at the end of August. Please see the Gateway High School website to schedule: [www.gatewayhigh.org](http://www.gatewayhigh.org).

**Open Houses:** If you are unable to attend GMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Family Open House, you may opt to attend one of the enrollment open houses scheduled throughout the enrollment season. These night time events provide a great opportunity to meet Principal Michael Fuller, attend information sessions hosted by Gateway faculty in each subject area, get to know current Gateway families, as well as learn more about the school's mission and academic program. No RSVP is necessary to attend. See the Gateway High School website for a schedule of Open Houses: [www.gatewayhigh.org](http://www.gatewayhigh.org).



## Other High School Enrollment Events

**School Fairs:** Please also note that there will be two major fairs in the fall that you will want to have on your radar:

**Parochial and Public School Student Fair**  
**Date TBD**

*Location: Lick Wilmerding High School, 755 Ocean Street*

**SFUSD School Fair**  
**Date TBD**

*Location: City College of SF, Wellness Center  
1800 Ocean Ave, SF 94112*

**Shadow Visits:** Please note that many independent high schools and select public schools offer shadow visits for students. These visits tend to fill up very quickly and registration may begin as early as late August.

**Open Houses:** Many high schools may also offer Open House nights for students and parents and registration may be required for these and may begin as early as late August.

All together, our hope is that you and your family have enough information to make the high school application process as smooth and stress-free as possible. If you have any questions regarding the high school enrollment process, please contact us.

Thank you and here's to a great year!

Best,

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