

Student (First & Last) _____ Homeroom Teacher _____

Dear Parent/Guardian

The 8th Grade Team at Cousins Middle School would like to inform you of the magnificent events occurring during the 2023-2024 school year for our 8th Grade students. We look forward to creating lasting memories and moments to cherish for a lifetime. This year our 8th grade fees will be \$ **150**

Explanation of Fees

- T-Shirt: Commemorative Class Shirt to represent the class of 2028
- Cousins Middle School Yearbook / Yearbook book signing party with lite refreshments.
 - *Students who have already purchased a yearbook will have the cost deducted from their fees.*
- 8th Grade Dance
- 8th Grade Picnic
- 8th Grade Breakfast
- 8th Grade Awards/Moving on Ceremony

Payment Schedule

- First Payment (\$50) due November 15, 2023
- Second Payment (\$50) due December 15, 2023
- Third Payment (\$50) due February 15, 2024

Payment Dates - please understand that these deadlines are in place so vendors can be secured for these events. We cannot secure vendors if these dates are not adhered to. **You are not allowed to make split payments to allocate for certain activities or events of your choice. If the first payment is only made, please note that payment will only cover the cost of your student's T-shirt and yearbook.**

* If a student obtains 2 or more referrals November 1st to May 16th, they are unable to attend the 8th grade activities (picnic and dance) and there will be NO REFUNDS ISSUED. There will also be NO REFUNDS due to any personal unforeseen circumstances.

No refunds will be given because payments are being made to vendors for activities.

Behavioral Expectations

Please remind your daughter/son the importance of demonstrating good, positive behavior, during this 2023-2024 school year. Any student who receives 2 or more referrals from November 1, 2023 to May 16, 2024, will not be able to attend the 8th grade cookout, field day, and dance. These events are privileges which can be revoked by any administrator if serious disciplinary infractions are incurred before or on May 16th. Should privileges be revoked, students will receive their T-shirt and yearbook, if purchased.

If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact:

Ms. Shields (shields.nikisha@newton.k12.ga.us) or
Ms. Williams (Williams.chrishanta@newton.k12.ga.us)

Please note: Activities, dates, and times are subject to change – we will keep you posted.

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8th Grade Events (Dates are subject to change)

August - May	Rethink Ed – Every Wednesday during Social Studies
TBA	High School Registration
TBA	ALANHS and STEM visits
March 1, 2024	Spring Picture Day
April 12, 2024	8 th Grade Picture Day (attire: Business Casual)
May 6, 2024	GMAS – Algebra Concepts and Connections
May 7, 2024	GMAS – Algebra Concepts and Connections
May 8, 2024	GMAS – ELA Section 1
May 9, 2024	GMAS- ELA Section 2 and Section 3
May 14, 2024	GMAS – Math
May 15, 2024	GMAS – Science and Social Studies
May 18, 2024	8 th Grade Formal
May 20, 2024	8 th Grade Picnic / Field Day
May 21, 2024	8 th Grade Breakfast
May 22, 2024	8 th Grade Awards Day/Moving on Ceremony

8th Grade Formal Attire

GIRLS	BOYS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No excessively low-cut backs (backs should not be cut below the lower bra line) No low-cut front (cleavage) or mid-drift No excessively short dresses (length must meet dress code policy) No see-through material No slits that come above the knee No cutouts in dresses No shirts, jeans, or shorts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suits (Optional) Slacks, dress shirts, and belt (ties optional) No shirts, jeans, or shorts, All clothing must fit properly.

8th Grade Moving on Ceremony Attire

- Colors: Black and White
- Boys: Black dress pants and white dress shirts w/tie
- Girls: Black Dress or Black pants/skirt & white blouses
- Shoes: Dress shoes are preferred / No CROCS
- No Shorts or Jeans

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8th Grade Activities and Dues Acknowledgement Form

Please initial each item to acknowledge your understanding of each requirement.

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_____ **Dress Code**

School dress code will be enforced at each event, whether it is on or off campus. If the school dress code is violated, students will not be able to participate/attend the event and a refund will NOT be issued.

_____ **Payment Dates** deadlines are strictly enforced.

First payment (\$50) due November 15, 2023:

Second payment (\$50) due December 15, 2023

Third payment (\$50) due February 15, 2024

_____ ***No refunds will be given because down payments are being made to vendors for activities. ***

By signing, I acknowledge and understand the behavior expectations and consequences, dress code, and payment dates that will allow my son/daughter to participate in the 8th Grade Activities.

Student's signature: _____

Parent's signature: _____

Please check one of the following:

- ☐ As a parent/guardian, I am interested in helping plan 8th grade activities.
- ☐ As a parent/guardian, I am interested in volunteering to help with the 8th grade picnic.
- ☐ As a parent/guardian, I am willing to donate time/resources to 8th grade activities (briefly explain how you can assist/ what you can provide/donate):
- ☐ As a parent/guardian, I am NOT interested in helping plan 8th grade activities.

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