



Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we anticipate another outstanding year here at First Avenue Middle School, we are excited to welcome your students into the 2017-2018 8th grade class. We have seen your children grow and mature tremendously over the past two years, and know that with the increased opportunities for leadership and participation in the eighth grade, they will be ready to undertake the new challenges waiting for them at the high school.

Our 8th Grade Team has planned several fun and engaging educational activities to enhance and celebrate the middle school experience.



- First, students will participate in our annual Ellis Island Immigration Simulation and experience the process early immigrants went through as they first entered the United States.
- In Spring we will also take our students to the Knott's Berry Farm Physics Day, where they will be able to observe and apply what they have learned in their science classes.
- We also plan to celebrate our 8th grade students' wonderful accomplishments and the end of their middle school experience with our traditional Hamburger Habit lunch on the last day of school.

**We are asking each student to donate \$80 to cover the transportation and cost for these activities. Please help us to make the end of year activities a great success. Depending on the funds received, we will pay for the following events in this order. Any shortage of funds will eliminate the latter activities:**

**#1 Ellis Island, #2 Knott's Berry Farm, #3 Hamburger Habit Truck**

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Please submit your \$80 donation with your student's name and ID number on the memo line at the payment station during Spartan Day.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes my student will attend the Knott's Field Trip, as well as participate in all of the end-of year activities, attached is my \$ 80 donation.

\_\_\_\_\_ No, my student will not attend the Knott's Field Trip. Attached is my donation for the end-of-the-year activities.

Reason for not attending: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to donate additional money to help cover students in need. Amount: \_\_\_\_\_