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Dear Eighth Grade Parents/Guardians:

Stewart Middle School would like to inform you of the magnificent events occurring during the 2023-2024 school year for our 8th Grade students. We are planning this year’s activities which will include a **class t-shirt, class picture, class breakfast, cookout/carnival, a field trip to Big Air, and our long-awaited 8th Grade dance**, where we will crown our Stewart Middle 8th Grade King and Queen of 2023. This year our 8th grade fees will be \$160. This amount will cover all 8th grade scheduled events. However, we have provided package options for those who wish to not participate in all events. **All fees must be paid no later than April 30, 2024 (NO EXCEPTIONS). Once the deadline has passed you cannot make any changes (ie: decide you would like to participate in the dance). Checks will not be accepted after March 29, 2024.**

On page four and five of this document we have included all guidelines for the 8th grade dance and our end of the year activities. This information has been posted on our school website at

<https://sms.dcssga.org/> .

**The following timelines have been provided as payment check points:**

### Explanation of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Fees:

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| <b>PACKAGE #1-ALL ACTIVITIES</b><br>8th Grade Week<br>Class t-shirt \$15      Class Breakfast \$15<br>Class picture \$10      Cookout/Carnival \$40<br>Field trip: Big Air \$30      8th Grade Dance \$50 | <b>\$160</b> |
| <b>PACKAGE #2</b><br>Class Breakfast \$15<br>Cookout/Carnival \$40<br>Class t-shirt \$15<br>Class picture \$10  | <b>\$80</b>  |
| <b>PACKAGE #3</b><br>8th Grade Dance Only<br>Douglas County Conference Center- May 17th   | <b>\$50</b>  |
| <b>PACKAGE #4</b><br>Big Air field trip-May 14th<br>Lunch and transportation is included  | <b>\$30</b>  |



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Yearbook

**Due Date: March 22, 2024**

**Cash or Checks payable to: Stewart Middle School**

**For online payments:**

**<https://stewartms.revtrak.net/online-payments#/v/school-fees-yearbook>**

**Ends March 22**

**Yearbook \$40.00**



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## 8th Grade 2023-2024 Dates to Remember



March 14th

8th Grade Class Picture

March 20th

Freshman Expo

3rd 9 Weeks Progress Reports Issued

April 8- May 1st

Submit baby pictures to [kim.frazier@dcssga.org](mailto:kim.frazier@dcssga.org) for Flight of the Eagle Ceremony. Include first and last name.

April 29<sup>th</sup> – May 10<sup>th</sup>

### GA Milestones Test

April 29<sup>th</sup>

ELA-Writing

April 30<sup>th</sup>

ELA

May 1<sup>st</sup>

Math

May 6<sup>th</sup>

Science

May 7<sup>nd</sup>

Social Studies

May 8<sup>th</sup>

EOC for Algebra 1 Students Only

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Week

May 14<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip (Big Air)

May 15<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Breakfast/Superlatives

May 16<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Cookout/Carnival

May 17<sup>th</sup>

Flight of the Eagle Ceremony/Honors Ceremony

Gymnasium at 9:45 AM-10:45 AM

May 17<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance Theme TBA

Douglas County Conference Center at 6:00PM-9:00PM

*\*Any student with 2 or more written referrals beginning March 12th through May 17th will be prohibited from attending the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Week activities. Attendance is at the administrators' discretion. **There will be no refunds issued for money paid.\****

May 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>

½ days and last day of school (22<sup>nd</sup>)

June 2023

Final Report Cards/Test Scores mailed



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Dear Parent(s) of SMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grader(s),

As we celebrate our students here at Stewart Middle School, we are planning this year's activities, which will include a class t-shirt, class picture, class breakfast, cookout/carnival, a field trip to Big Air, and our 8th Grade dance. Here are some important details pertaining to the dance and other 8th grade activities:

## 8th Grade Dance

**Location: Douglasville Conference Center**

**Date: May 17, 2024**

**Time: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

**Dress: Semi-formal**

**Theme: TBA**

**Cost: \$50.00 per student**

**Sale Dates: On sale now**

Students anxiously look forward to having fun, food, and entertainment at the dance, but with every dance come rules and guidelines to follow. In an attempt to be fair and consistent with our students, the following guidelines have been developed. Young men are required to wear a nice suit or slacks and dress shirt. Young ladies are required to wear **age-appropriate** semi-formal/formal dress. **Slides, crocs, or jeans will not be permitted. If your attire is questionable, do not wear it. If you are unsure, get approval in advance.**

## Other Essential Information

~Only SMS 8th Grade students are eligible to attend the dance. No 6th or 7th grade students are permitted

~The 8th grade teachers and administrative staff will serve as chaperones.

~Parents may take pictures at the venue but will not be allowed in the ballroom. Parents are asked to leave and return at 9:00 p.m. to pick up students.

## 8th Grade Field Trip: Big Air Trampoline Park

8th grade students will enjoy high flying fun while jumping on surfaces that include trampoline dodgeball courts, slam dunk courts, ninja-warrior courses, launch pads, foam pits, a massive freestyle court, climbing wall & much more! To enjoy this experience parents must complete a waiver located on the company's website at <https://www.bigairusa.com/hiram/>. Transportation, lunch, and socks will be provided.

## The Flight of the Eagle Ceremony

The Flight of the Eagle Ceremony is a celebration of our 8th-grade students and their accomplishments. The ceremony will be held at Stewart Middle School Lovejoy Gym on Friday, May 17, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. This event is a **ceremony** and not a graduation. Each student will receive two tickets for guests to attend. All students are asked to wear a combination of black and white dressy casual attire. Students



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should not wear jeans, sweats, or tennis shoes. If you have any questions about the attire, please let us know prior to the day of the ceremony.

***In order for your child to purchase any package all lunch, textbooks, athletic, and library charges must be cleared and the consent form below must be signed and returned.*** Packages will go on sale now until April 30, 2024. You may purchase a package via cash or online <https://sms.dcssga.org/>. Packages will NOT be sold after this date. Due to catering service numbers, there will be **NO EXCEPTIONS** on the payment deadline. Please turn in all monies to Mrs. Frazier on the 8th Grade hall. A receipt will be given to each student with each payment.

All 8th-grade students must demonstrate good behavior in order to participate in 8th-grade activities.

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***Again in order for your child to purchase any package all lunch, textbooks, athletic, and library charges must be cleared***

We would like to thank you in advance for all of your support. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Ms. Frazier at 770-651-5400.

By signing below, it is understood that my child and I have read and will comply with the above rules and guidelines and all charges have been cleared.

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

Homeroom Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

Sincerely,

SMS 8th Grade Teachers



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