

8 Gold Parent Information

Dear Gold Parents / Guardians,

Recently, you should have received an email welcoming you and your child to 8 Gold. We sent this email to the address(es) on file here at school. If you either did not receive this email, or prefer a different email address for school communications, please note it below. If the email we used worked fine, simply leave the email line blank. Over the course of the school year, we will send regular team newsletters, along with other pertinent information to the address you have on file.

Student's Name: _____

Parent / Guardian #1 Name: _____

Relationship to student: _____

New Email Address? _____

Phone # between 8 and 3: _____

Parent / Guardian #2 Name: _____

Relationship to student: _____

New Email Address? _____

Phone # between 8 and 3: _____

Also, there are times when students may need help beyond the classroom for various reasons. Each teacher has one day / time specifically set aside for extra help, either before school, 7:25-7:55 or after school, from 2:35-3:15. If a student is unable to come in on a set help day, at the teacher's discretion, an alternative time may be set up based on the information you give us below.

Please indicate below which days and time - in general - are good for your child (check all that apply):

Day:	before school:	after school:
Monday	_____	_____
Tuesday	_____	_____
Wednesday	_____	_____
Thursday	_____	_____
Friday	_____	_____

Are there any situations at home that we should be aware of?

Online Permission Form

In order to maximize your child's success both on our team and in our classrooms, we offer and recommend the guided use of several online tools. Each of these tools is explained briefly below and can be explored through our website, 8gold.org. Please review this information, complete the form at the bottom. Do not hesitate to let us know if you have any questions.

- 1. Discussion Board.** We maintain a discussion forum on the team webpage. On this forum, there are discussion threads for each subject area and for the team / school as a whole. Students use this forum to seek peer and teacher help on homework, to brainstorm ideas for class activities and team events, catch up on classwork when they miss school... Overall, it is a terrific way for students to support one another in their learning! This site is monitored regularly by teachers, and only 8 Gold students are allowed to participate. All school rules for behavior and language apply on this forum but, in the three years we have included this as part of the classroom experience, we have had no issues with out students.
 - 2. Google Docs.** This is a terrific online document tool, with functions similar to Microsoft Office. There are many benefits to using this, as is explained in detail on our webpage at 8gold.org/googledocs.php. Briefly, students can work on typing a paper on Google Docs, and it is automatically saved on a server. From school, a student can then log in and continue their work - no worry about forgetting a disk! Also, students can share work online, and collaborate simultaneously on a document. The teacher can then view the work and see the contributions of each member. This is excellent for group assignments like a lab, or for peer editing.
 - 3. Flickr.** This is an online community for photo sharing. We will be maintaining a student blog this year, and welcome contributions of team photos taken by any of our team members. Students who choose to join this will be able to view, upload, and share team photos with their teachers and peers. Also, as Mr. Mularella and Mr. Pizzuto are the yearbook advisors, the photos students share may also appear in the school yearbook!
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Student Name: _____

I give my child permission to register for / join (check all that apply):

8 Gold Discussion Board

Google Docs (will require signing up for a free Google account)

Flickr (will require signing up for a free Yahoo account)

Signature of Parent / Guardian

