

Zion Heights Middle School

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

We look forward to welcoming your son/daughter to Zion Heights Middle School in September. The first days at a new school are important and may be a time of great anxiety for some students. The more knowledge you have about the change, the smoother the transition will be. As a result, we are offering a few points to consider in your planning for the new school year. All students are to remain on school property during the lunch hour. If you have further questions our office will re-open on Monday, August 27, 2018 and we welcome your phone calls at 416-395-3120.

On the first day back from summer vacation, Tuesday September 4, 2018 a special timetable will be in place to ensure a smooth transition. Please arrive at school at the designated time for your grade and go directly to the cafeteria where you will be placed into your class to begin your day. Dismissal from school will be 3:05 pm.

Grade 6 - 9:00 a.m. Grade 7 - 9:30 a.m. Grade 8 - 10:00 a.m.

Supplies needed on the first day include pencil/pen, paper, a binder or a notebook. Students must bring their own lock from home. We do recommend Dudley locks, as they are most secure. All locks should be a combination lock, key locks are not permitted. For your advance budgeting, students should be aware of the following expenses in the first week: (We encourage all parents to use our school's cash online to make purchases. There will be items posted on the school's cash online catalog once school begins.)

Student Planner	\$8.50
Gym Uniform	\$25.00

The school's Student Nutrition Program runs every morning from 8:30 to 8:40 a.m. where students have the opportunity to have a nutritious breakfast with their peers to start off their day. The program is run with donations made to the Program. Tax receipts will be issued for donations of \$25 or more. Please make cheque payable to "Toronto Foundation for Student Success" and attach the cheque to the donation form.

Nutrition Program (Term 1) \$25.00

Please note that regular classes begin at 8:50 a.m. with the playing of *O Canada*. Doors open at 8:40 a.m. Students are to go directly to their lockers and be in their seats by 8:50 a.m. Students will receive the student information package which will include the following information: *Student Accident Insurance, Concussion Guidelines, Things to know about Concussions, Severe Weather – Work with your School for Student Safety, and Parents'/Guardians' Responsibilities for Excursions, School Code of Conduct and Online Code of Conduct.* Please ensure that you read the package, sign and return it to school.

We look forward to seeing your son/daughter on September 4th, and invite you to our Curriculum Night on Thursday, September 27, 2018, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

We wish you and your family a safe and happy summer!

Sincerely,

Ms. S. Sidlofsky Principal