

Letter from the Artist to Parents 2008-09

1. Please use the BIAHC letter head paper (or using digital logo), one copy to the teacher, one copy to Bonnie Showers, Program manager.
2. NEW THIS YEAR: In many cases the artists are finding that communications with the parents are more appropriate at the beginning of the project, or in the middle to allow for parents to dialogue with their child about the project during the project, and also offer assistance to the teacher in class as appropriate. If you do opt to communicate at the end of the project, please give to the teacher within 2 days of the completion of your Art Study Project. However it is the best communications tool, go for it! Thank you for your efforts!
3. Letter contents: Please keep it to one page maximum, preferably to two paragraphs.
 - a. Briefly describe the project you are leading/ supporting in collaboration with the teacher where their child participated.
 - b. Describe what your focus was for the activity/project, what you wanted the kids to explore, learn.
 - c. Give a brief, specific and positive evaluation of the project.
 - d. Provide one or two suggestions of activities/discussions that parent /family can do to share in and continue the learning experience of their child.
4. Please include the following paragraph in each parent letter:

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Comments and suggestions from parents are welcomed by the BIAECC Program Manager, Bonnie Showers: BonnieS@artshum.org 206. 842.7901 Thank you!