

8th Grade Trips

Policies/Procedure & Rooming Request Form Packet

We are excited once again to be preparing for an amazing set of trips for our 8th grade students! Please find the attached ***Policies/Procedure & Rooming Request Forms*** for these trips. Students may choose to attend either the Washington/New York OR the Orlando trip. Please select the appropriate attached form (*Washington/New York or Orlando*) for the trip you select. Complete the ***Policies/Procedure & Rooming Request Form*** completely (and clearly). Submit this form with the initial **non-refundable deposit on Wednesday, October 2nd**. See *payment information below*.

On **Thursday, September 5th**, we will hold a **Parent Meeting** to discuss the *Washington/New York* and *Orlando trips prior to Open House*. The meeting will begin at **5:15 pm** in the Deerlake auditorium. If you are interested in either of these trips or have any questions, please make plans to attend this optional meeting.

Washington/New York Trip

The Washington/New York trip will take place ***Saturday, March 1, 2025 thru Saturday, March 8, 2025***. We will depart on March 1st from the Deerlake bus ramp at 6:00pm. We will return to Deerlake on March 8th, arriving around 6:00am. **This trip will be limited to 132 students**. Spots will be assigned on a first come, first-served basis when students pay their initial non-refundable deposit. ***Please note that once these spaces are filled, we will NOT be able to secure another bus or tickets unless AT LEAST 36 additional students are on the waiting list by the deposit deadline on October 2nd***.

The **Washington/New York** trip will cost each student **\$1,375.00**. Tentative activities/sites include the following: visiting memorials and various museums in Washington, D.C., viewing a Broadway play, ice skating in Central Park, and visits to the 9/11 Memorial, One World Observatory, the High Line, the Oculus, Harbor cruise (Statue of Liberty), Wall Street, Chinatown, Little Italy, Times Square, Grand Central Terminal, the American Museum of Natural History, 5th Ave, etc. The trip cost of \$1,375.00 includes the hotel, motor coaches, tolls, parking fees, most meals (possibly 1 will be paid for by the student), tickets to all attractions/events, lanyard, tee-shirt, trip supplies/necessities, and sub coverage.

Orlando Trip

The Orlando trip has been set for ***Monday, March 3rd thru Wednesday, March 5th, 2023***. Tentative activities/sites include a day at Disney's Magic Kingdom, EPCOT, and Hollywood Studios. The Orlando trip will cost each student **\$700.00**. Please note that a ***minimum of 32 students*** will be needed for us to be able to offer this trip. The trip cost of \$700.00 includes the hotel, air-conditioned motor coaches, tolls, parking fees, meals, tickets to the theme parks, lanyard, materials, trip supplies/necessities, trip t-shirt and trip coverage.

Payment/Information

- **Washington/New York** will be broken down into a **non-refundable** deposit (*Wednesday, October 2nd - \$475*) and 3 additional **non-refundable** payments (*November 5th - \$300, December 3rd - \$300, February 4th - \$300*). Parents are welcome to pay for the trip in one lump sum of \$1,375 on October 2nd if they prefer.
- **Orlando** will have an initial **non-refundable** deposit (*October 2nd - \$250*) and additional **non-refundable** payments (*November 5th - \$225 and December 3rd - \$225*). Parents are welcome to pay in one lump sum of \$700 on October 2nd if they prefer.
- Trip payments for both trips will be **accepted beginning at 8:15 AM on October 2nd**. Payments will be taken in the **Media Center**. Students may not come into the front school building gates prior to **8:15 am** that day. Again, front building gates will NOT open until 8:15 am and supervision will not be provided prior to that time. **One student may submit their entire group's permission forms and money for the entire group.**
- Students **must** have their **Activity Form** on file in order to attend either of the above trips.



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**** These field trips are pending School Board Approval –more information will be sent home once approved.**