

Washington DC/Gettysburg 2024

October 22-23-24

Trip FAQ's

Hotel Information: Hilton Washington Dulles Hotel: 13869 Park Center Rd, Herndon, VA Ph- 703-478-2900. Hotel Security is provided by "Student Watchers" Security, a professional security hallway monitoring company from 10pm-6am

Luggage: 1 bag or suitcase that goes under the bus and students will not have access to that luggage until hotel check-in on Tuesday night. Luggage will be inspected prior to departure. Bring a backpack or small drawstring bag that you can carry with you on the bus with anything you may need for the ride. Backpacks must stay on the bus during all sightseeing. Epi-pens and Inhalers should be packed in the backpack/small bus bag. No other medication is permitted to be carried by students! **NO MEDICATION** will be allowed to be brought in the morning of the trip!

Day of Arrival: **Students need to arrive between 5:30-6:00am!**

Buses 1-4 will arrive on the west side of the building and kids enter indoor 5W.

Buses 5-7 will enter on the east side of the building indoors 20E.

Meals and snacks - **Students should pack their own lunch and drink for the first day (Tuesday) of the trip.** All other meals will be provided via food vouchers at various locations on the trip and a buffet breakfast each morning at the hotel. Students are allowed to bring snacks and drinks in their suitcase to have in the hotel room or take with them during the day if they would like, but remember that all bags must stay on the bus during sightseeing. They may also pack some drinks/water bottle & snacks in their bus bag for the ride. ***NO MILK PRODUCTS AND ALL DRINKS MUST HAVE A RESEALABLE LID.***

Money: **If you send it they will spend it!** Students may use electronic payment for some souvenirs but may want to bring some cash for street vendors.

Electronics - Cell phones and small handheld devices (ipods/ipads, cameras, handheld games) are permitted on the trip. Students can listen to music and play games on the bus with earbuds. Students will have access to charging ports at their seats for their devices. Do NOT bring game consoles!

Packing Suggestions: **Pack for the weather!** We suggest you bring a Poncho and comfortable shoes (Slides, crocs and sandals will NOT work for walking a minimum of 3 miles a day). Socks and tennis shoes are the best bet and you may want to bring an extra pair of tennis shoes if it calls for rain. Umbrellas are **NOT** good as some destinations will not let you take them in. Please make sure all clothing is school appropriate, as we will be in government buildings, monuments and Arlington Cemetery. Don't forget toiletries. Please be reasonable with snacks!

TRAVELING CLASSROOMS

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Jackson Middle School Washington DC/Gettysburg 2024

Tuesday, October 22: 7 Barons Bus Lines Motorcoaches* Arrive 6:00, Depart 6:30am

- Restroom Stop Enroute Oakmont Plaza Approx. 8:30am * Driver Relief
- Lunch /Restroom Stop Sideling Hill Plaza 11am
 - Students pack their own lunches/beverage
- Arrival Gettysburg Visitor Center 1:30pm
 - Buses 1-4 Film/Cyclorama, Museum 1:30pm
 - Buses 5-7 Battlefield Tour 1:30pm
 - Buses 1-4 Battlefield Tour 2:30pm
 - Buses 5-7 Film, Cyclorama, Museum 3:00pm
- Depart for Washington DC 4:00pm
- Arrive Pentagon City Mall Food Court/Pentagon Memorial 6pm
 - Dinner Voucher
- MLK, FDR, Jefferson Memorial 7:45-9:15pm
- Check-In Hilton Washington Dulles Hotel Herndon, Va. 10:00pm
- Room Check & Goodnight 10pm "Student Watchers" Security 10pm-6am

Wednesday, October 23: Buffet Breakfast at Hotel 6:30am Depart Hotel 7:30am

(Boys begin 6:30am, Girls Begin 6:45am)

- US Capitol Building - Arrive 8:15
 - Staggered Tours
- Smithsonian Mall Museums Flex Time 12:00-4:45pm *Chaperone/Student Groups Choices
 - Natural History, American History, Archives, Art Gallery, Air and Space
 - Lunch Food Trucks or Smithsonians- \$15 Cash Rebate
- Dinner at Reagan Commerce Building Food Court 5:00pm - Meal Voucher
- White House - Outside Only 6:30PM
- WWII, Lincoln, Vietnam, Korean Memorials 7:00-8:30pm
- Return to Hotel 9:30pm
- Room Check & Goodnight – Student Watchers Security 10pm-6am

Thursday October 24: Buffet Breakfast At Hotel 7:00am Depart Hotel 8:00am

(Boys 7am, Girls 7:15am)

- Arlington National Cemetery 9:15am
 - President JFK Gravesite
 - Tomb of Unknown Soldiers - Changing of the Guard
- Air Force Memorial 11:30AM
 - Freshology Box Lunches Delivered at 11:30
- Depart For Jackson Middle School 12 Noon
- Restroom/Dinner Stop 2pm South Mountain
- Restroom Stop Ohio Border - 5:45
- Arrive Back At Jackson Middle School 6:30pm