

Washington DC/Gettysburg 2023

October 24-25-26

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 and should have been turned in already. 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.

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. Don't forget toiletries and remember Do NOT bring game consoles! Please be reasonable with snacks!

TRAVELING CLASSROOMS

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Jackson Middle School Washington DC/Gettysburg 2023

Tuesday, October 24: 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 3pm)
 - Buses 5-7 Film, Cyclorama, Museum 3:45pm)
- Depart for Washington DC 4:30pm
- Arrive Pentagon City Mall Food Court 6pm
 - Dinner Voucher
- WWII, Lincoln, Vietnam, Korea Memorials 8-9:30pm
- Check-In Hilton Washington Dulles Hotel Herndon, Va. 10:00pm
- Room Check & Goodnight 10pm "Student Watchers" Security 10pm-6am

Wednesday October 25: Buffet Breakfast At Hotel 7:00am Depart Hotel 8:00am

- White House/ Gift Shopping 8:45-10am
- US Capitol Building * Tours Begin:
10:30am/10:40/10:50/11:00/11:10/11:20/11:30/11:40
 - Lunch at Capitol Café 11:45 start
- Smithsonian Mall Museums Flex Time 1:00-5pm * Chaperone/Student Groups
 - Natural History, American History, Archives, Art Gallery, Air and Space
- Dinner at Reagan Commerce Building Food Court 5:15pm
- MLK, FDR, Jefferson Memorials 6:30-8:00pm
- Return to Hotel 9pm
- Room Check & Goodnight – Student Watchers Security 10pm-6am

Thursday, October 26: Buffet Breakfast at Hotel 7:00am Depart Hotel 8:00am

- Arlington National Cemetery 9:00am- 10:30am
 - President JFK Gravesite
 - Tomb of Unknown Soldiers Changing of the Charge
 - Freshology Box Lunches Delivered at 11am
- Marine Iwo Jima Statue 11:15am
- Depart For Jackson Middle School 12 Noon
- Restroom/Dinner Stop 3pm
 - Cheeseburgers or Chicken Tenders, Chips, Water
 - Buses 1-7 Gateway Plaza
- Restroom Stop Ohio Border
- Arrive Back At Jackson Middle School 7pm