

***MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL
EIGHTH GRADERS EXPLORE
WASHINGTON, D.C.***



NOVEMBER 14-15-16, 2018

MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Seventh Grade Parent/Guardian:

We are in the process of developing plans for our fall eighth grade trip to Washington, D.C. Reservations have been secured with Curriculum Travel of America, and we will stay in the Hilton Crystal City Hotel located at 2399 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

Our trip will include all eligible eighth grade students and their teacher chaperones. Our projected cost for the trip will be **\$526.00** to be paid in full, per the attached payment schedule. This amount will include 3 days lodging, all transportation, meals and the Thursday evening dinner dance. Students will be required, however, to bring a bagged lunch for the bus on the day of departure. Our fall trip is scheduled for **November 14, 15, 16, 2018**.

In order for students to be eligible for the trip, they must maintain a passing average throughout the school year with a good attendance record. Student discipline problems are also evaluated in the total process. It is essential that the students on our trip represent our school, community and each family in a manner in which we can all be proud. The educational value of our trip is the foremost concern of our staff and administration.

We are looking forward to a great trip with the eighth graders. Please call my office if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Gary A. Floyd

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Principal

MMS Roars With Panther Pride!

Respect Responsibility Kindness Character

MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM TO WASHINGTON, D.C.
FALL 2018

Wednesday, November 14th

Buses 1-5	Prompt departure from Memorial Middle School – Elite Coach	6:30am
Buses 1-5	Bagged Lunch on Bus	11:45am
Buses 1-5	Smithsonian Institute: Natural History & American History Museums	12:30pm
Buses 1-5	Newseum: Interactive Museum of News & Journalism	3:00pm
Buses 1-5	Hilton Crystal City Hotel for Check-In 2399 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA 22202 (703) 418-6800	5:15pm
Buses 1-5	Dinner at Pentagon City Mall	6:00pm
Buses 1-5	Pentagon 9/11 Memorial: View of Air Force Memorial	7:00pm
Buses 1-5	D.C. at Night – A Night Tour of the Monuments	8:00pm
Buses 1-4	Return to Hilton Crystal City Hotel - <i>Private Security on Duty</i>	9:30pm

Thursday, November 15th

Buses 1-5	Full American Breakfast at Hilton Crystal City Hotel	7:15am
Buses 1-5	Meet buses and depart hotel for touring	8:15am
Buses 1-5	U.S. Capitol Tour – <i>Scheduled guided tour times</i>	9:30am
Buses 1-5	Lunch at Pentagon City Mall	12:30am
Buses 1-5	Mount Vernon – <i>Guided Tour of Mansion</i>	1:15pm
Buses 1-5	U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum	3:30pm
Buses 1-5	Memorial Walking Tour	5:15pm
Buses 1-5	Board buses: depart for Hotel	6:30pm

•Buses will elect a tour program agreed upon by bus captain & licensed guide including, but not limited to:
Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, WWII Memorial, Vietnam War Memorial, Korean War Memorial, F.D.R & Jefferson
Monuments, and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial

Buses 1-5	Hilton Crystal City Hotel - <i>Private Security on Duty</i>	7:30pm
	Dinner/Dance Grand Ballroom @ Hilton Crystal City	8:00pm
	•Buffet Dinner & DJ•	

Friday, November 16th

Buses 1-5	Full American Breakfast at Hilton Crystal City Hotel & Check-Out	7:15 am
Buses 1-5	Meet Buses to Depart Hotel	8:15am
Buses 1-5	Washington Monument: Exterior Visit	8:45am
Buses 1-5	Memorial Walking Tour – <i>continuation of previous evening</i>	9:00am
Buses 1-5	Arlington Cemetery Walking Tour	10:00am
	*Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier	11:15am
Buses 1-5	Continued Touring of Washington, D.C. Monuments	12:00pm
	•The White House, Iwo Jima Memorial, Ford's Theatre & Petersen House	
Buses 1-5	Reagan Building Food Court: Lunch voucher	12:45pm
Buses 1-5	Fords Theatre: Drive by Ford's Theatre and Petersen House	1:30pm
Buses 1-5	Panoramic D.C. GROUP PHOTO at U.S. Capitol	1:45pm
Buses 1-5	Depart for Point Pleasant, NJ	2:00pm
Buses 1-5	Arrive at Memorial Middle School	6:30pm

Memorial Middle School, Point Pleasant, NJ
Mr. Gary Floyd, Principal
Mrs. Lauren Mattei, Faculty Advisor
CTA Professionally Designed Educational Tours
**Time and order of activities may change during the trip*

Memorial Middle School
Eighth Grade Trip to Washington, D.C.
PARENT AND STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET

Date of Trip: *November 14-15-16, 2018*

Accommodations: Hilton Crystal City Hotel. 2399 Jefferson Davis Highway
Arlington, VA 22202 Tele: (703) 418-3763

Dress Code: Jeans and sneakers for both boys and girls are acceptable for touring as long as they are neat and clean. If rain is forecast, umbrellas are suggested since we continue to tour regardless of the weather. It is the fall season, sweaters and warm clothes are essential.

Dinner Dance: **GIRLS:**
Semi-formal attire required (i.e. dresses, skirts, dress pants) and appropriate shoes.*

BOYS:
Semi-formal attire required (i.e. dress shirts, dress pants, khakis, ties) and appropriate shoes.*

Luggage: One suitcase is allowed for each child. One small "carry on" bag is also permitted.
Attach Identification tags to each piece. Tags should include:

NAME _____ **Memorial Middle School**
BUS # _____ **Point Pleasant, NJ**

Medication: If a student takes medication of any kind, please give the nurse written instructions from diagnosing doctor for dosage. A qualified nurse will dispense all medications. All medication should be given to the nurse no later than November 6, 2018.

Snacks: Bring snacks and drinks with you since there is no available time to purchase them while on tour. The hotel rooms are not equipped with refrigerators, but ice will be available.

Spending Money: Since all expenses are taken care of by the initial trip cost (with the exception of souvenirs and snacks) spending money should be kept to a minimum.

Time of Arrival: You are to report to school NO LATER THAN 6:15 A.M. on Wednesday morning and proceed to the cafeteria where baggage will be checked. We expect to arrive home on Friday evening between 6:00 and 6:30 PM. Parents should not park in bus lane directly in front of the school.

*No Sneakers

STUDENT RULES FOR WASHINGTON TRIP

1. Behavior of mature teenagers is expected at all times. Remember you represent Point Pleasant Borough Middle School, your community, and your parents.
2. Each bus is assigned a professional tour guide. You are to stay with him/her and your teacher chaperone unless you are directed otherwise. Chaperones always leave the bus first. You are to leave the bus in a quiet and orderly manner, meet your chaperone, take the tour and return to the bus in your chaperoned group. Absolutely NO RUNNING at any time.
4. **On The Bus:**
 - A. Students are to keep head, hands, and arms inside the bus at all times. Nothing is to be thrown out of windows.
 - B. Garbage receptacles will be placed on every bus. Students are to see that all paper, etc. are picked up before leaving the bus.
 - C. Once partners and bus seats have been selected, the choice remains throughout the entire trip. This facilitates checking. Requests for individual changes cannot be honored. If problems arise that necessitate changes, the change will be made by the chaperones.
 - D. Cooperate with the bus driver at all times. Listen to instructions before leaving the bus. These men/women can make or break your trip. Remain seated at all times. When the bus stops, remain seated and await instructions.
 - E. Always be prompt. Be on your bus, seated and ready to depart at the appointed time. All tours are on schedule. Don't stray from the group.
5. **In The Hotel:**
 - A. Keep doors locked at all times when in or out of your room. Be sure room captain always has the key.
 - B. Keep rooms tidy and your personal belongings put away. The hotel attendants will make all beds.
 - C. Do not leave rooms or visit other rooms.
 - D. No student is to be outside his/her room for any reason unless he is completely and properly dressed.
 - E. Key captains (see room lists) are responsible for keys and room condition. Check your room when you move in. Make a list of all damaged or broken items and give the list to an Administrator.
 - F. Room telephones are to be used only in case of an emergency to call a chaperone. Phones are not to be used to call students in other rooms. Chaperones will advise you when you may call home. There are plenty of opportunities to do this. Hotel management will advise chaperones when telephones are being misused.
 - G. Students may not use the pay TV movie channel or beverage cabinet. Any extra charges incurred will not be paid for by the school.
 - H. Rooms will be checked before we depart. Any damage will be paid by the group involved. (A room deposit of \$10.00 cash from each student will be collected on the bus on the way to Washington).
 - I. Private security will be provided at the Hotel.
6. At the restaurants and cafeterias, get in line and wait your turn to be served patiently.
7. All souvenirs purchased during the day are to be kept on the bus until you get to your room to pack them away. Write your name on your packages.
8. All school rules will remain in effect while traveling. Discipline issues will be dealt with during the trip with a possible consequence to occur upon return to school.
9. If an emergency or if any problems arise, you are to contact the nearest teacher as quickly as possible.
10. Remember - you are directly responsible to your chaperone at all times and owe them every courtesy.

Remember: We are making every effort to make this year's trip a memorable educational and social experience for you. It is necessary to establish those rules and regulations to ensure an orderly, safe and successful trip. Our desire is that you have the best possible time within that framework. We are proud of you and would like to leave Washington giving the people there the same impression.

2018 WASHINGTON TRIP COLLECTION DATES

Payment can be made by check and the following payment schedule will be utilized:

Thursday, March 15, 2018

Thursday, April 12, 2018

Thursday, May 10, 2018

Last payment: Thursday, June 7, 2018

TOTAL \$ 526.00

Collections will be made in homerooms and checks should be made payable to: *MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL*

