

Washington, D.C.  
&  
Gettysburg, PA

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip  
Information

May 27-29, 2025  
Claymont Middle  
School

## ELIGIBILITY

**Eligibility:** This trip is an extra-curricular activity and a *privilege* that students earn after they have met regular school requirements in terms of **grades, attendance, and behavior**. If a student fails to meet any of the regular school requirements, that student will lose the *privilege* to participate in the extra-curricular activity of attending a class trip. This trip is not a vacation. It is an educational privilege.

- **Online Forms:** Students must have their online forms submitted through the SCView portal in order to attend the trip.
- **Grades:** Students must **MAINTAIN** a G.P.A. of at least 1.5 - if G.P.A. falls below a 1.5 at any point during any grading period, the student(s) will become ineligible for the trip.
- **Attendance:** Any student who hits a Habitually Truant attendance threshold will be automatically eliminated from the trip. Habitually Truant is defined as missing the following hours **WITHOUT** legitimate excuse (parent phone call, parent note, doctor excuse, etc)
  - 30 Consecutive Hours in a week
  - 42 Hours in a month
  - 72 Hours in a year
- **Behavior:** A student will **jeopardize** his/her privilege to participate in the Washington, D.C. & Gettysburg, PA field trip if the student has a discipline referral for which they have been given bus write-ups, In-School Suspensions or Out of School Suspensions. If there are three (3) bus write-up forms in your file since the first day of school, you are not going on the trip. If there are two (2) In School Suspension forms in your file since the first day of school, you are not going on the trip. If there are two (2) Out of School Suspension forms in your file since the first day of school, you are not going on the trip. If there is one (1) In School Suspension form and one (1) Out of School Suspension form in your file since the first day of school, you are not going on the trip. If there are two (2) Friday School Referrals in your file since the first day of school, you are not going on the trip. OR, any combination of two suspensions and/or Friday School.
- **USE AND/OR POSSESSION OF ANY TOBACCO PRODUCTS, VAPE, ILLEGAL SUBSTANCE WILL AUTOMATICALLY RESULT IN THE LOSS OF THE TRIP.**

If during the trip, your child displays excessive disruptive behavior, you will be notified and in extreme cases may be expected to retrieve your child and take them home at your expense.

**Specific health concerns:**

If your child is currently diagnosed with a contagious condition that could affect or infect roommates or bus mates, they will not be permitted to go on the trip. This includes but is not limited to Covid, head lice, scabies, bed bugs, etc. . . .

**Extreme or unusual circumstances will be left to the discretion of the Principal/D.C. committee.**

**Fees:** All school fees must be paid by **April 1, 2025. \*\*Balance of school fees must be paid in full before final DC payments can be made\*\***

**Medical Needs:** Students **may not** carry any kind of prescribed drugs or over-the-counter drugs. All prescribed and over-the-counter medications must be turned in **to the nurse** with a doctor's order. Special arrangements will be made for students who must carry an EpiPen or inhaler. All medication forms will be distributed and discussed closer to the departure date.

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I have read and understand the eligibility requirements for the Washington D.C./Gettysburg P.A. trip. As a student, I agree with the rules stated above. As a parent, I agree to help my child follow the rules stated above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

**Scholarship Form**  
**Washington, D.C. & Gettysburg, PA**  
**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The following form is an application for financial assistance for the upcoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to our Nation's Capital and Gettysburg, PA. In the past, funds were available by local service organizations. This is not a guarantee that funds will be available this year. Please understand that our resources provide the means for partial awards only. **No full scholarships will be given.**

If you wish to be considered for partial assistance, fill out the section below, detach, and return to Mr. Watkins by Friday December 13 , 2024. You will be notified of the amount of financial aid that we can provide for your child as soon as possible.

**To be eligible for a scholarship, students are required to have either a fifty (50) dollar deposit or the equivalent earned in their fundraising account.**

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**What amount of scholarship is reasonable to assist your child?** \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Other School-age Children \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Total Gross Monthly Income \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Benefits included: Social Security \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Unemployment \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Welfare \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Child Support \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*This application will be reviewed and scholarships will be awarded on a priority basis depending on the funds available.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_