

# 2018 GCJHS 8th Grade Trip

## Washington DC

### May 9-13, 2018

Register by September 15, 2017



- ❖ The DC Trip is an opportunity to travel with a school group; it is not a school trip in which all students must attend.
- ❖ A flyer from Grueninger Travel Company is attached that includes travel expenses, registration and trip itinerary information.
- ❖ Each traveler is responsible for his or her own travel expenses. A Yankee Candle Fundraiser will be an option this fall to help offset costs.
- ❖ Traveler Fees include transportation to and from DC, hotel room, some meals, basic travel insurance. Additional insurance may be added for a small fee!
- ❖ Registration Deadline is **September 15, 2017**
  - To increase the likelihood of getting into the White House tour, travelers must register and ensure their birthdate and their social security number are accurately recorded by the registration deadline of **September 15, 2017**
- ❖ **ALL Travelers must consider the following**
  - This trip requires some stamina! There will be 7-10 miles of walking per day!
  - Travelers will sleep two nights on the bus.
  - Students will room **ONLY** with other GCJHS students. Adults will be assigned a single occupancy room unless you notify GC admin with your roommate plans. Parents may not room with their child.
  - Chaperone
    - Must complete the GC Volunteer background check.
    - Must be a legal guardian of traveling GC 8th grade student.
    - Will be in charge of a small group of students throughout the trip.
    - Chaperones are limited to the number of seats left on the bus after students and faculty.
  - Students
    - Must be a current GCJHS 8th grade student
    - Student behavior prior to the trip will be monitored throughout the school year. In the event of poor student behavior, the administration reserves the right to revoke travel privileges at the traveler's expense.
    - Student roommate requests will begin February 1. Details to follow.
- ❖ Yankee Candle Fundraiser
  - Sale Dates: September 15-October 6 (no exceptions)
  - GCJHS students raised over \$17,000 last year and most students earned around \$100. We had eight students earn half or more of the trip fees!

Account and registration questions should be directed toward Grueninger Travel 317-465-1122. General trip questions, please contact Mr. Jack. [djack@gcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:djack@gcsc.k12.in.us)

# **D.C. Dates to Remember 2017-18**

August 3 Parent meeting 6:00pm

September 15 Registration Deadline

September 15 Fundraiser catalog rollout  
(Yankee Candles)

October 6 Fundraiser orders due

November 20 Fundraiser pickup 3:30-5pm

February 1 Roommate requests begin

March 9 D.C. trip T-shirt orders due

May 2 Chaperone Meeting 6:30pm  
(all adults traveling)

May 2 All travelers meeting 7:00pm  
(students and chaperones, plus parents)

May 9 Depart for Washington, D.C.