

# 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TRIP TO WASHINGTON D.C. 2020

Thursday, May 14 - Saturday, May 16

## GCJHS Washington DC Travelers:

- 55 parent chaperones
- 147 students
- 12 GC staff members
- 2 Grueninger Travel Personnel
- =216 travelers!

Congratulations to our scholarship winners! 🎉

**Callie Means**

**Caden Robertson**

**Hayley Herrin**

**Ali Kirk**

**Hallie Smith**



## Rooming and Bus Arrangements

- Students will be put into groups of 4 to travel and room with on the trip.
- A parent or teacher chaperone will be designated to each group of four students to chaperone for entire trip.
- Groups of four and their chaperone will travel on the same bus and airplane.
- We will all we can to get each student with at least one person they request. Things can get complicated if a student is requested by multiple groups of people, but we will do our best!
- **All travelers will have access to the spreadsheet to see roommate arrangements.**

## Rooming and Bus Arrangements Continued...

- Students will fill out a google form with preferences on group members
  - **To view the spreadsheet of groups, visit this link:**  
[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bR-wo-sdhGM9dKdmaSGI\\_89lQuuFOCpOSrtra2xNHYE/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bR-wo-sdhGM9dKdmaSGI_89lQuuFOCpOSrtra2xNHYE/edit?usp=sharing)
  - As kids complete the google form posted on Google Classroom names will appear on the spreadsheet. Classroom code: **6lig980**
- Travel group requests will be open **TONIGHT, 12/11** (after the meeting : )
- Please complete your request by **12/20** before winter break starts
- Once travel lists are finalized we will post them on the D.C. Google Classroom page.
- No changes will be made after lists are finalized (we need to stay organized with our flights and travel arrangements in D.C), so **please talk to your student about making kind and appropriate choices when requesting roommates.**
- **Contact Mrs. Sangiorgio at [ksangiorgio@gcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:ksangiorgio@gcsc.k12.in.us) by 12/20 with questions.**

## Our Hotel

HILTON WASHINGTON DC/ROCKVILLE  
HOTEL & EXECUTIVE MEETING CTR

Hilton Rockville



## Direct Flights

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2020

**Group #1** / Southwest 874

6:10am / Depart IND

7:45am / Arrive BWI

**Group #2** / Southwest 697

8:35am / Depart IND

10:15am / Arrive BWI

SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2020

**Group #1** / Southwest 5797

3:30pm / Depart BWI

5:15pm / Return IND

**Group #2** / Southwest 5535

6:50pm / Depart BWI

8:35pm / Return IND

## PACKING LIST

- You can pack up to TWO bags
  - Personal Item: (backpack or purse) to sit with you on the plane. Keep phone and anything you will need for the flight in this bag.
  - Small soft-sided duffel for everything else. This bag will be stored in the above storage bins on the plane (WE WILL NOT BE CHECKING BAGS)
- When we land in D.C. the small duffel bag will be stored under our buses we will be using in the city. Please make sure money, phone, and charger are in small backpack or purse so you can access it all day on Thursday

## Backpack or Personal Item (with you on plane)

- Electronics: Cell phones are recommended for all travelers. Bring a battery operated charger!
- Money: NEED \$15-\$20 per day for lunch, plus extra spending money for souvenirs is optional. Cash or preloaded card is acceptable. \*\*Parents: Please talk to your child about budgeting their money to last!
- Adults will need an ID, students will not
- Anything you'd need for the plane (see handout)

## Carry on Duffle Bag

- Pack items in carry-on for Friday and Saturday in D.C. (change of clothes, toothbrush & paste, face wash & cloth, hair brush, deodorant, contacts/solution, sunscreen and other essentials.
  - You must travel with TRAVEL SIZE LIQUIDS. YOU WILL HAVE TO TOSS OUT ANY LARGE LIQUIDS, HAIRSPRAY, CONTACT SOLUTION, ETC. IN SECURITY AT THE AIRPORT.
- Medication: Students who require medication should be in charge of their own items unless parents feel their student is not able to manage this. Contact school personal if you need to make other medication arrangements.

## Departure

- Chartered busses will depart from the back of the building.
- Parents NOT traveling are to drop off student at the FRONT door. Back will be locked!
- Parents who ARE traveling are to park in the NORTH LOT by softball diamond.
- We will travel through airport security and regroup at our gate for boarding.
- Prepare to wait! (bring a good book)

## Updates

Once flight and travel lists are finalized, you will be notified on if you are on the first or second flight.

The same check in process will be used for each flight round.

## Thanks for coming

Parents who still want to find a roommate can meet in the back of the cafeteria at this time.

We are around for questions.