

Urbana Junior High School

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September 12, 2024

Dear 8th Grade Parents attending the DC Trip Parent Meeting,

Your 8th grade student has the chance to embark on their 8th grade Washington D.C. Trip! The trip will last from **May 13 through May 17, 2024**. We have created a website and Remind account to help get info to families as well:

*Website (also linked on the district site): http://ujhswashingtondctrip.weebly.com/

*Remind: @ujhsdc2024

While this trip is an amazing experience, it is also fairly expensive, with the cost being **\$700.00**. We have set up a payment schedule to help families reserve their student's spot on the trip by making payments throughout the months leading up to the trip. **The first \$160.00 payment is due September 23, 2021**. This payment helps guarantee your child's spot on the initial roster. We try to make sure that money is not a factor preventing any student from attending the trip. We are usually only able to assist a small number of students in need. If you know your family needs financial assistance, please complete the financial assistance form and return asap.

Deadlines:

First payment of \$175** due by September 22, 2023 Second payment of \$175** due by November 10, 2023 Third payment of \$175** due by January 19, 2024 Final payment of \$175** due by March 8, 2024 Cut off date for a refund is April 12, 2024

While we wish every 8th grader could attend, there will only be <u>100</u> available seats at full capacity. <u>The</u> <u>discipline consequences your child receives during the school year will be used to determine whether</u> <u>your child attends or not</u>. We use a discipline point system to determine behavioral eligibility and said points are assigned as follows:

** After-school detention = 3 points per day

** Alternative Learning Center (ALC) = 6 points per day

** Out of School Suspension (OSS) = 15 points per day of OSS assigned (example: 3 days of OSS = 45 points)



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If your child earns <u>25</u> discipline points between now and the date of departure, they will not be eligible to attend the trip. Students involved with the juvenile court system may also be removed from the trip. Washington D.C. advisors reserve the right to deny a student from attending. The cutoff for a full refund is April 12, 2024. If your child receives his/her 25th discipline point after that date, we will be unable to provide a refund, as that money will have already been spent. Your student's trip must be paid in full by March 8, 2024. Students who fail to meet this deadline will be moved to the waiting list, and are at risk of being removed from the trip.

At the meeting tonight we will be passing out a tentative sample itinerary, trip instructions, student expectations, precautions & policies, and the dress code.

Sincerely,

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