

# Washington D.C. Trip – May 2019

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September 24, 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to Washington, D.C. is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8, 2019 - Friday, May 11, 2018. On this trip, we plan to visit Mount Vernon, the National Mall (all major memorials), the Smithsonian Museums (Natural History and American History), the Holocaust Museum, Arlington National Cemetery, the National Zoo and the National Aquarium.

We are still awaiting final pricing at some locations as they have not finalized their 2019 prices, but we estimate a final cost of approximately \$500 per student. This price covers all transportation, lodging, meals, snacks, and admission fees for the entire trip. The number of students attending may also impact the final price; we will let you know as soon as possible of the final cost.

It is important that we have a clear idea of the number of students who plan on taking the trip; therefore we are requiring a **\$50 deposit due by Friday, October 26, 2018**. Please make checks payable to **GCS Class of 2023**.

We will make every effort possible to help students who are in need of assistance; however, any money used to help will be taken from the class fund and is limited. Please contact us if your student is in need. Students also have the opportunity to fund raise throughout the year. All money raised by a student goes to the individual student's cost. As these fundraisers are completed, your student's trip balance will be updated and that information will be sent home with your student.

In order to make the trip safe and beneficial for all students, we will need to restrict students participating to those who can be counted on to cooperate with chaperones, respect property, and the rights of others. In fairness to all students the following guidelines have been established. If a student fits any of the categories he or she MAY NOT be allowed to participate in the trip. Mr. Calice will make the final decision based upon the individual student's compliance with the following criteria:

1. Any student with 8 or more discipline referrals from now until the trip.
2. Any student who is found in violation of school drug and alcohol policies.
3. Any student with 2 or more bus referrals.
4. Any student with more than 20 absences.
5. Any student failing the same two subjects for two consecutive marking periods as reported by report cards.
6. Any out of school suspensions could lead to the student being ineligible for the trip.

We hope that by setting up these criteria, we are giving students a better idea of what is expected of them and an incentive to maintain good behavior, attendance and grades throughout the school year. Even if your child does not intend to go on the trip at this time, we are requesting that you acknowledge the criteria that is expected for the trip.

If you have any questions at all, please contact Miss Scofield via e-mail at [mscofield@greenecsd.org](mailto:mscofield@greenecsd.org) or by calling 656-4161.

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## **Important D.C. Dates**

<b>October 26, 2018</b>	\$50.00 Deposit and Criteria Letter Agreement
<b>November 30, 2018</b>	\$100.00 Payment
<b>December 21, 2018</b>	\$50.00 Payment*
<b>January 25, 2019</b>	\$100.00 Payment*
<b>February 28, 2019</b>	\$100.00 Payment*
<b>March 29, 2019</b>	Final Payment Due (If any) Formal Permission Slip, Medical Treatment Forms and roommate selection information due (Orange forms that will be sent home later in the year)
<b>April 26, 2019</b>	Medications and Medication Forms (Yellow forms that will be sent home later in the year)

## **Wednesday – Friday, May 8-10 Washington, D.C. Trip!!!**

**Please make checks payable to GCS Class of 2023.**

\* Some students may receive notices that their payments are less due to fundraising throughout the year.

Payments may be sent in at any time, the dates listed are the dates that we need the payment by.

After March 1, 2019, refunds will not be allowed.

All payments and forms should be turned in to Miss Scofield

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## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington D.C. Deposit and Trip Criteria Form

\_\_\_\_\_ (student name)

- Plans** to attend the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington, D.C. Trip  
 **Does not plan** to attend the trip at this time.

This slip and \$50 deposit is required by October 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Please make checks payable to GCS Class of 2023.**

A receipt will be sent home with your child for all payments.

Refunds will not be allowed after March 1, 2019.

**Signing below indicates that you have been advised of the Washington, D.C. trip policy and understand all of the criteria.**

Please sign below and return even if at this time your student does not plan to attend the trip.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Parent Signature

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Date

Students – please return this form and your deposit to Miss Scofield by October 26<sup>th</sup>.