



Public Schools of the Tarrytowns

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Dear Eighth Grade Families,

We are excited to announce our eighth graders will have the opportunity to visit Washington, D.C. on April 10th, 11th and 12th, 2019. An event such as this is certainly fun for the students; however, the primary purpose is educational by design, providing a culminating experience for the students' two-year study of American History. We will hold an initial informational meeting on **October 10th** in the auditorium, at 7:00 PM, to discuss our Washington, D.C. trip. The total all inclusive cost of the trip is **\$525** per student (incidentals are at the discretion of the student/family). The final itinerary will be provided to you at our send off meeting, scheduled for April 8, 2019.

We are only able to accommodate a total of 180 students on this year's trip, based on the order reservations are received. To secure a spot, you **MUST** submit the following by October 25th:

- Permission Slip
- Signed Code of Conduct
- Copy of **Both** sides of Health Insurance Card
- **Non-Refundable** \$50 deposit

Only checks and money orders will be accepted as forms of payment. Checks and money orders must be made payable to SHMS Activity Fund. **NO CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED**. Beginning this year, families will also have the option of making their payments through the *My School Bucks* portal (the standard processing fee of 3.75% would still apply). We will provide more information about this at the parent meeting on October 10th.

The payment schedule is as follows:

- Deposit of \$50 due by October 25th
- 1st Payment of \$250 due by November 19th
- 2nd Payment of \$225 due by February 8th including all medical forms if necessary
- **Payments in full are accepted at any time**

Although we would never want to remove the opportunity for a student to experience this trip, we must consider the safety and well being of all involved. Therefore, behavioral choices at school will impact one's ability to participate. If you have any questions feel free to contact either Maria Sabbouh at msabbouh@tufsd.org or Barbara Wilson at bwilson@tufsd.org.

Sincerely,

Joshua Whitham
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