

**8TH GRADE CLASS TRIP
BRIDGEWATER-RARITAN MIDDLE SCHOOL**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR STUDENTS

To help you prepare for our 8th grade class trip and to have everything run smoothly, we ask that you follow these instructions carefully. This is a school trip and all school rules apply. Each student is responsible for maintaining proper conduct.

STUDENT ATTIRE

Both boys and girls should plan to dress neatly, comfortably, and sensibly. Include rain gear or an umbrella in case of inclement weather and sunscreen for sunny weather. We will be outside most of the time on Thursday and there is no protection from the weather. Be sure to have a sweatshirt or jacket and comfortable shoes.

Dance Attire: Girls are to wear a dress, dress pants outfit, or skirt and blouse. No shorts or jeans. Skirts and dresses may not be shorter than 6” above the knee. Boys are to wear a shirt and tie, dress pants. No jeans or shorts. Appropriate dress footwear is expected.

Park Attire: Students and chaperones will be issued a BRMS T-shirt to wear in the Park on Thursday. All students must turn in an order form for a T-shirt. Shirts will be distributed upon arrival at the hotel by the chaperones. The T-shirts, along with appropriate pants or shorts, **MUST** be worn in the Park on Thursday. Shorts are allowed for both boys and girls – not to be shorter than 6” above the knee (bermuda, cargo, golf, etc.). Wear comfortable shoes or sneakers on Thursday in the Park as there will be a great deal of walking. Bathing suits may not be worn. Water rides may necessitate a change of clothing prior to boarding the bus back to BRMS. Students must be in dry clothes for the return trip.

This is a school sponsored trip and the school dress code **will be** enforced.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

1. You may take only one overnight hanging bag, one suitcase and a small string bag/backpack on the bus with you. You will need toiletries, nightclothes and whatever changes of clothing you wish. The hotel will furnish towels and soap. We will be at the hotel from 5:30 p.m. Wednesday until 9:00 a.m. Thursday.
2. Label your suitcase with your name and address. The luggage will be placed in the luggage compartment when we board the buses and will not be removed until we arrive at the hotel. A small string bag/backpack may be brought on the bus.
3. A nurse will be on the trip to hold and dispense all medications: i.e. Tylenol, antibiotics, Rx. allergy medication, etc. **You** are responsible for remembering when your medication is due. A schedule for time and place for dispensing your medication will be established.
4. You will receive a meal voucher which you may use for the purchase of one meal at the Park. You will need about \$20.00 spending money for souvenirs and/or snacks if you wish to purchase any. We cannot assume responsibility for personal possessions, so please keep your money in a safe place.

5. On the day of the trip students should arrive 7:00 a.m. – 7:15 a.m. OR 7:40 a.m. – 7:50 a.m. Wednesday morning. Go directly to your homeroom; keep your luggage with you. You will be called down, by homeroom, to the auditorium to have your luggage checked and stored. Once all luggage has been checked, the auditorium will be locked until our departure. **YOU MAY NOT GO BACK INTO THE AUDITORIUM FOR ANY REASON.** Chaperones will take attendance, check your luggage and give last minute instructions. **YOU WILL ATTEND REGULAR CLASSES. YOU MUST ATTEND SCHOOL ALL DAY ON WEDNESDAY TO GO ON THE TRIP.**
6. If you should become ill at the last minute and are unable to make the trip, PLEASE CALL THE MAIN OFFICE at 908-231-8661 x-182.
7. Early dismissal to prepare for the dance is optional and will be limited to ONE (1) hour. Please see Form D. Due to the number of students requesting early dismissal, this form WILL NOT be accepted after June 8th. Be sure you know what time you will be picked up as students will not be called out of class. Sign-out tables will be located in the hallway outside of the main office.
8. Buses will leave promptly at 3:00 p.m. We will go, rain or shine. We must adhere to this time schedule if we are to follow our itinerary. Students may bring snacks for the bus ride. Students assigned to the nurse's bus must have NUT FREE snacks.
9. Students are to remain in groups of at least 4 at all times and should associate with persons from our group only. Do not engage in conversations with strangers – young or old. Do not leave the assigned area.
10. Someone must be at school to meet their child when we return Thursday night. Your child may call you when their bus leaves the Park and again when they are approximately 30 minutes away from the school. Parents should know their child's bus number. **CARPPOOLING IS STRONGLY ADVISED!!!**

HOTEL BEHAVIOR

Please remember that you are a guest at the hotel and that you are responsible for leaving your room in the same condition as it was when you arrived. Any damage done to a room will be paid for by **ALL** of the occupants. Check your room when you enter. Make sure everything is in order – towels, television, etc. Inform chaperones of any problems.

Hotel telephones are not to be used.

Do not take articles from the room (towels, wash cloths, etc.). If anything is missing, it will be paid for by **ALL** of the occupants of the room.

Always be sure to lock your room and take the key. Keys will be **collected** by your chaperone before the dance. Each room will have one key.

Do not talk loudly in the halls or in any way disrupt other guests.

Soda and ice, if available, are to be obtained by one person from the room.

AFTER CURFEW, NO ONE MAY LEAVE THE ROOM!

Hotel security personnel will be on duty after curfew. If they hear too much noise in a room, (television, talking, laughing, etc.) lights will have to be turned off.

Chaperones will check each room on the morning of checkout. Students are to pack and clean the room before going to breakfast. Take your key with you to breakfast. Please note that any damage to the room will be shared equally by **ALL** occupants of the room.

MENU

Buffet Dinner

Great American Dinner Buffet

Mixed Green Salad Bar w/Dressing
Pasta Salad
Pesto Crusted Chicken w/Alfredo Sauce
Shaved Beef Cheesesteak, Cheddar Sauce, Slider
Rolls
Macaroni & Cheese
Cheese Ravioli in Tomato Sauce
Carrots, Broccolini
Roasted Potato Wedges
Bakery Fresh Rolls w/Butter
Chocolate Cake, Carrot Cake, Apple Pie
Fruit Salad

Buffet Breakfast

Homestead Breakfast Buffet

Orange Juice, Grapefruit Juice, V8, Apple Juice,
Cranberry Juice
Sliced Fresh Seasonal Fruits w/Honey Yogurt Dip
Selection of Flaky Croissants, Fruit and Cheese
Filled Danish
Homestyle Muffins, New York Style Bagels and
Breakfast Breads
Cream Cheese, Sweet Butter, Chocolate Butter
Assorted Marmalade and Jams
Museli and Assortment of Cereals with Whole and
Skim Milk
Farm Fresh Scrambled Eggs
Smoked Bacon
Sausage Links
Homestyle Potatoes
Pancakes w/Maple Syrup

Please note any special dietary requests must be indicated on Form B –under Medical Questionnaire/Medications List. **Requests will be noted by the nurse and we will make all arrangements with the hotel.**