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2021 Fall Washington, D.C. Trip

Dear Parents & Students,

We are excited to announce details for the 2021 Washington, DC trip, which will take place this Fall for the current 7th grade class of both Avon Middle School North and Avon Middle School South students. At the time of the trip, the students will be 8th graders for the 2021-2022 school year. This year, we have partnered up with Appian Tours, a local company that specializes in educational tours, especially for Washington, DC.

Student travel is a fundamental part of the educational process and is essential to a complete education. We are pleased to offer this unique opportunity to the students of Avon, and it is our firm belief that the trip is an enrichment activity that will benefit all students who attend. Avon teaching staff will be chaperoning the group but will not be attending as representatives of the school as this is not a school-sponsored trip.

The cost of the trip this year is **\$795 per student / \$895 per parent**, which is an all-inclusive price for everything needed on the trip. Please take a look at the attached trip information sheet to see all of the inclusions and the exciting experiences that your child will remember on this once-in-a-lifetime adventure! Registration is open NOW, so make sure to go online to register and save your child a seat on the bus! To register, visit www.appiantours.com, and the School ID is: **AVONDC2021**.

If you have any questions about the trip, you can email me at gdrodgers@avon-schools.org or Appian Tours at info@appiantours.com.

There will be a VIRTUAL trip information meeting to discuss the trip and answer any questions that you may have. We are offering two date options so you can join us on a day that works best for your schedule.

- Wednesday, April 7, 2021 – 7:00pm
- Thursday, April 8, 2021 – 7:00pm

The Zoom Meeting information is as follows:

- Meeting ID: 872 6631 4775
- Passcode: AVONDC2021

We look forward to seeing you at the trip information meeting and having your child join us in DC!

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Avon Middle School
8th Grade Washington, DC & Gettysburg Tour
Friday, October 8 – Tuesday, October 12, 2021

Friday, October 8

Depart Avon Middle School South at 7:00pm to begin our travels to Gettysburg and Washington, DC. There will be rest stops as needed. Travel through the night (drivers will change in Breezewood, PA).

Saturday, October 9

Arrive for a breakfast buffet at the historic **Dobbin House** in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Following breakfast, watch the sunrise on the battlefield, as we embark on a **2-hour tour** through historic sites of Gettysburg with licensed Gettysburg guides. Visit the **National Park Visitor Center**, viewing the **Cyclorama and Museum** before having lunch at **General Pickett's**. Next, make our way towards Washington, DC and visit the **Smithsonian National Air & Space Museum** at the Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center. Get up close and personal with the Space Shuttle *Discovery*, the Enola Gay, a Lockheed SR-71 Blackbird, a Concorde, and hundreds of other historic and modern aircraft. Then travel into downtown DC to dinner this evening at the **Pentagon City Mall food court**. After dinner, meet up with our licensed DC guides to embark on an **evening illumination tour** of the monuments and memorials. Following the tour, travel to the **hotel**, our accommodations for the next 2 nights.

Sunday, October 10

A **deluxe breakfast buffet** at the hotel starts the day before traveling to visit **Arlington National Cemetery** for a guided tour and viewing of the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Avon Middle School will also be participating in a **Wreath Laying Ceremony** at the Tomb. Following the ceremonies, depart Arlington National Cemetery and take the **METRO** to the **Smithsonian Museums** complex. Visit a couple of the museums of your choice, including the Natural History Museum, the American History Museum, the National Museum of African American History & Culture. We will also visit the permanent exhibition at the **U.S. Holocaust Museum**. A **lunch voucher** will be provided for lunch at one of these museums. After a full day of touring and exploring, end the evening with an exciting night of pizza and entertainment at **Bobby McKey's**. Located in beautiful National Harbor, our private event includes a **pizza buffet** and a show of **dueling pianos!** Playing by request, the pianists put on a show, including the hard-working Avon MS staff! See how many teachers you can get on stage! After the dinner event, travel to Alexandria for a **Colonial Ghost Tour** in Old Town Alexandria. At the conclusion of the ghost tour, return to the hotel for the evening.

Monday, October 11

A **deluxe breakfast buffet** at the hotel starts the day before traveling to visit **George Washington's Mt. Vernon**. Visit the grounds and walk through the Mansion of our first President. Depart, and enjoy a **Firehouse Subs box lunch** on the way to the **National Cathedral** for a guided tour. Following the tour, travel down **Embassy Row** to meet up with our licensed DC tour guides for a **Capitol Hill Grounds Tour**, including the **Library of Congress**. This evening, travel to the **Ronald Reagan Building** food court for dinner in their food court and then visit the remaining **monuments and memorials** not yet visited. After visiting the memorials, we say farewell to Washington, DC and travel back to Avon through the night. There will be a driver change and rest stops en route.

Tuesday, October 12

Arrive at Avon Middle School South at approximately 7:00am.

TRAVEL PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- Round-trip deluxe motorcoach transportation. Each motorcoach is equipped with a DVD player and monitors
- Nine meals (one buffet breakfast at Dobbin House, one lunch at the General Pickett's, two deluxe breakfast buffets, one box lunch, one Smithsonian Museum lunch, one pizza party dinner, one voucher at Ronald Reagan Food Court, voucher at Pentagon Mall)
- Two nights' accommodations at a DC local hotel with additional private security
- Licensed guides for two Illumination Tours, one Capitol Hill Grounds Tour, one Arlington Cemetery Tour, and one Gettysburg National Park Tour
- Admission to the National Cathedral, Mt. Vernon, Gettysburg Museum/Cyclorama
- Private event at Bobby McKey's in National Harbor
- Colonial Ghost Tour in Old Town Alexandria
- METRO ride
- All taxes and gratuities throughout the trip
- Appian Tours representatives to accompany the group during the entire tour (One per motorcoach)

COST OF THIS TOUR: \$795 per student (quad occupancy – 4 per room)
\$895 per parent (double occupancy – 2 per room)

Payment Schedule:

Friday, April 16, 2021	\$50 non-refundable Deposit Due
Friday, August 20, 2021	Final Payment Due

Cancel-For-Any Reason Insurance available for **\$45.00** per person. Insurance pymt due at time of sign-up through your registration. Please see insurance attachment for CFAR details.

Register online at <http://appiantours.com>. School ID: AVONDC2021

Cancellation Policy

Cancellation policy is in effect when a student's trip is cancelled for all reasons, including behavior or academic reasons, regardless of whether the school or the parent initiates trip cancellation. CFAR Insurance claims will pay 75% of non-refundable fees.

Cancellation prior to 8/20/21 - \$50 cancellation fee

Cancellation from 8/21/21 to 9/17/21 - 50% cancellation fee

Cancellation from 9/18/21 to 10/8/21 – 100% cancellation fee

Questions? info@appiantours.com OR (317) 903-2959

STUDENT DELUXE

GROUP TRAVEL PROTECTION



SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE COVERAGE AND OTHER NON-INSURANCE SERVICES

Trip Cancellation**	Trip Cost*
Trip Interruption**	150% of Trip Cost*
Travel Delay – 6 hours	\$750 (\$150/day)
Missed Connection – 3 hours	\$500
Baggage/Personal Effects	\$1,500
Baggage Delay – 24 hours	\$300
Non-Medical Emergency Evacuation	\$150,000
Accident & Sickness Medical Expense	\$25,000
Emergency Evacuation & Repatriation	\$100,000
Cancel for Any Reason (CFAR)***	Optional
Non-Insurance Worldwide Emergency Assistance Services	Included

Coverages may vary and not all coverage is available in all jurisdictions.

* Up to the lesser of the Trip Cost paid or the limit of Coverage for which benefits are requested and the appropriate plan cost has been paid. Maximum limit of \$10,000

** For \$0 Trip Cost, there is no Trip Cancellation and Trip Interruption is limited to \$500 return air only

*** CFAR coverage is 75% of the nonrefundable trip cost. CFAR is optional and available for individuals or your entire group. Trip cancellation must be 48 hours or more prior to scheduled departure. CFAR must be purchased at the time of plan purchase and with or prior to your final trip payment. **This benefit is not available to residents of New York State.**

PER PERSON RATES

Cost of Trip	Rates	With CFAR*	Cost of Trip	Rates	With CFAR*
\$0	\$7	N/A	\$4,001 - \$4,500	\$121	\$181.50
\$1 - \$200	\$12	\$18.00	\$4,501 - \$5,000	\$135	\$202.50
\$201 - \$400	\$17	\$25.50	\$5,001 - \$5,500	\$149	\$223.50
\$401 - \$600	\$21	\$31.50	\$5,501 - \$6,000	\$163	\$244.50
\$601 - \$800	\$25	\$37.50	\$6,001 - \$6,500	\$177	\$265.50
\$801 - \$1,000	\$30	\$45.00	\$6,501 - \$7,000	\$190	\$285.00
\$1,001 - \$1,500	\$41	\$61.50	\$7,001 - \$7,500	\$204	\$306.00
\$1,501 - \$2,000	\$54	\$81.00	\$7,501 - \$8,000	\$218	\$327.00
\$2,001 - \$2,500	\$68	\$102.00	\$8,001 - \$8,500	\$233	\$349.50
\$2,501 - \$3,000	\$81	\$121.50	\$8,501 - \$9,000	\$247	\$370.50
\$3,001 - \$3,500	\$94	\$141.00	\$9,001 - \$10,000	\$261	\$391.50
\$3,501 - \$4,000	\$108	\$162.00			

The above rates are for trips up to 30 days – for each day over 30 add \$3.00 per person per day.

*Cancel For Any Reason (CFAR) benefit not available to residents of New York State

All of the above rates are for the plan which includes insurance and non-insurance services.



PAYMENT INFO:

To purchase the Travel Insured Student Deluxe Protection Plan with or without Cancel for Any Reason, please see your travel leader for the group specific link.

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Avon, IN 46123
(317) 903-2959

APPLICATION:

Applicant Name(s): _____

Trip Name: _____

Trip Dates: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Trip Cost: _____

Optional CFAR* (please circle): YES NO

Premium Amount: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

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GENERAL LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

Insurance benefits are not payable for any loss due to, arising or resulting from: 1. suicide, attempted suicide or any intentionally self-inflicted injury of You, a Traveling Companion, Family Member or Business Partner booked to travel with You, while sane or insane; 2. an act of declared or undeclared war; 3. participating in maneuvers or training exercises of an armed service, except while participating in weekend or summer training for the reserve forces of the United States, including the National Guard; 4. riding or driving in races, or speed or endurance competitions or events; 5. mountaineering (engaging in the sport of scaling mountains generally requiring the use of picks, ropes, or other special equipment); 6. participating in skydiving or parachuting, hang gliding or bungee cord jumping; 7. piloting or learning to pilot or acting as a member of the crew of any aircraft; 8. being Intoxicated, or under the influence of any controlled substance unless as administered or prescribed by a Legally Qualified Physician; 9. the commission of or attempt to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation; 10. normal childbirth or pregnancy (except Complications of Pregnancy) or voluntarily induced abortion; 11. dental treatment (except as coverage is otherwise specifically provided); 12. amounts which exceed the Maximum Benefit Amount for each coverage as shown in the Schedule of Benefits; 13. due to a Pre-Existing Condition, as defined in the Policy. The Pre-Existing Condition Limitation does not apply to the Emergency Medical Evacuation or return of remains coverage; 14. medical treatment during or arising from a Trip undertaken for the purpose or intent of securing medical treatment; 15. a mental or nervous condition, unless hospitalized for that condition while the Policy is in effect for You; 16. due to loss or damage (including death or injury) and any associated cost or expense resulting directly from the discharge, explosion or use of any device, weapon or material employing or involving chemical, biological, radiological or similar agents, whether in time of peace or war, and regardless of who commits the act and regardless of any other sequence thereto.

The following limitation applies to Trip Cancellation: All cancellations must be reported directly to the Travel Supplier within 72 hours of the event causing the need to cancel, unless the event prevents it, and then as soon as is reasonably possible. If the cancellation is not reported within the specified 72 hour period, the Company will not pay for additional charges, which would not have been incurred had You notified the Travel Supplier in the specified period. If the event prevents You from reporting the cancellation, the 72-hour notice requirement does not apply; however, You must, if requested, provide proof that said event prevented him or her from reporting the cancellation within the specified period.

Additional Limitations and Exclusions Specific to Baggage and Personal Effects: Benefits are not payable for any loss caused by or resulting from: breakage of brittle or fragile articles; wear and tear or gradual deterioration; confiscation or appropriation by order of any government or custom's rule; theft or pilferage while left in any unlocked or unattended vehicle; property illegally acquired, kept, stored or transported; Your negligent acts or omissions; or property shipped as freight or shipped prior to the Scheduled Departure Date; or electrical current, including electric arcing that damages or destroys electrical devices or appliances.

Cancel For Any Reason Protection: Optional Coverage applies only when requested on the application and the appropriate additional plan cost has been paid. CFAR must be purchased at the time of plan purchase and with or prior to your final trip payment. If You purchase the Cancel For Any Reason protection and You cancel Your Trip for any reason not otherwise covered by this plan, the Insurer will reimburse You for up to 75% of the prepaid, forfeited, non-refundable payments or deposits You paid for Your Trip provided You cancel Your Trip more than 48 hours prior to Your Scheduled Departure Date. **This benefit is not available to residents of New York State.**

Purchase up to final Trip Payment for Pre-Existing Condition Waiver!

The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion will be waived if the protection plan is purchased before final trip payment for the trip, for the full non-refundable cost of the trip and the booking for the covered trip is the first and only booking for this travel period and you are not disabled from travel at the time you pay the premium.

PLEASE REFER TO THE PLAN DOCUMENTS FOR A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF COVERAGE.

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