

Eversole Run 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip
Information Sheet

Where are we going?

- See this **ITINERARY**

How many chaperones are going?

- There are 3 chaperones on each bus
- Each chaperone will be responsible for three or four rooms (12-16 students)
- Only DCS staff are allowed to chaperone

What should I pack?

- See [THIS LIST](#) of things to pack
- Students should pack good walking shoes, warm clothes that can be layered, and necessary toiletries, and a reusable water bottle.
- They do not need additional spending money but can bring it if desired.
- Students will be given money by the chaperones at each meal stop. This money comes from what you have already paid to Prodigy. There is no need to send extra meal money unless you want to.
- Students are responsible for ALL their belongings including cell phones and money.

What if I have medical concerns/needs?

- There will be a table with a sign for medication drop-off the morning of the trip. Parents, if you are dropping off medications for the trip, please arrive 15 minutes early to expedite this process.
- Parents need to bring their meds in a ziplock bag (labeled with their student's name, bus # and chaperone's name) to their chaperone at the medication drop-off area.
- All medications must come in its original container from the pharmacy. Chaperones cannot give unlabeled medications in baggies or pill cases.
- Parents need to make sure the medication has their student's name on it. We cannot give meds that belong to a sibling or parent.
- Any medication added or dose changes after turning in paperwork to Katie Pack can be added with a separate prescription form signed by your doctor. This does not need to be notarized and we can attach it to the notarized forms. Please contact the school clinic with any questions at .
- Before bringing meds, parents PLEASE check to make sure the medication is not expired.
- Students and chaperones cannot share meds. Chaperones will not have extra medication such as Advil or Tylenol to give to your child. If you think they might need it, please send it with your child and add the medication to your form.
- Be sure to remove "trainers" from EpiPens and Auvi-Q packages.

- If your student has a self-carry emergency medication such as an inhaler or EpiPen they do NOT need to turn the medication into the chaperone. They DO need to tell the chaperone and a close friend where they keep their medication so it can be found if needed.
- No medications will be taken out of the school clinic for the DC trip. The school clinic will be locked the morning of the trip with no access to the medication. Please provide all medications from home.
- Teachers/staff are trained on EPI-pen and Auvi-Q.
- Please refrain from sending in vitamins and unnecessary medications for the trip since they are only gone for four days.
- All snacks sent with students need to be nut-free. Please discuss this with your student before the trip. We have a lot of food allergic students. Students should NOT share food or snacks.

What if I have dietary concerns?

- Prodigy Student Travel (PST) does its best to select meal locations that provide options for students who are vegetarian, gluten-free, and have other dietary restrictions
- Chaperones are made aware of dietary restrictions within their groups before we depart
- Parents may use the most up-to-date itinerary to call ahead and plan options with their child. Please contact PST if you need assistance. Email: info@prodigystudenttravel.com
- All buses are NUT-FREE

What do I need to know about Covid-19?

- Please see the [PST COVID Protocol Sheet](#) for up-to-date information on masking, isolation practices should a student become ill, parent responsibility for transporting an ill child, etc.

What do I need to know about forms?

- The [District-Sponsored Overnight Trips Medical Permission Form](#) and [Responsibility Contract for Overnight Trips](#) are both due BEFORE September 22nd. Turn in to Kayla Phillips in the front office
- Include a copy of the front and back of your child's medical insurance card with the forms if you have one
- **Both forms MUST be notarized**

How will roommates be selected?

- Students will sign up for roommates beginning early September at lunch
- Students will form groups of 4 as the hotel has a quad occupancy
- Groups of 2 will be paired together
- Groups of 5 are **not permitted**
- A group may request to be on the same bus as another group, and we will do our best to honor those requests, but that is not guaranteed.