

Jackson 8th Grade Washington DC/Mount Vernon **2026**

October 20-21-22

Annual Tour! 349 students participated in 2025

* We are advertising this tour for the **FALL OF 2026** * Current 7th grade students are receiving this information. Advertising now allows parents to use a payment plan prior to the start of next year.

Fall 2026 8th Grade Students have the opportunity to tour Washington DC/Mount Vernon. The tour will depart Tuesday, October 20th at approx. 6:00am and return Thursday, October 22nd at approx. 8:30pm

****Chaperones will be Jackson Middle School Staff (1 per 10-12 Students)**

Pre-Trip Meeting: Tuesday, April 7th at 6:00pm, Jackson High School Auditorium * Parents please attend!
*Jackson Middle School Staff and Traveling Classrooms will discuss all aspects of the trip.

Tour Price Per Student: \$490.00 (44 students per motorcoach). Tour Includes: Barons Bus Lines motorcoach transportation (extended time on Day 1 with driver relief included), 2 nights lodging (students 4 per room) at Hilton Doubletree Washington Dulles Herndon, Va. 7 meals: (1 Tuesday, 3 Wednesday, 3 Thursday). All Admissions including Mount Vernon, Jackson custom hoodie pp, Private Hotel Security, Traveling Classrooms Tour Manager Per Motorcoach, all taxes & gratuities...No Extras!

Registration/Payment/Refund Policies

* \$ 150.00 Non-Refundable Deposit May 21-22, 2026

* \$ 150.00 Refundable 2nd Payment July 17, 2026

* \$ 190.00 Refundable Balance September 10-11, 2026

*PARENTS: Late/new registrations will be accepted on a "space available basis" after May 25, 2026

PAYMENT METHODS

**** At School:** Traveling Classrooms reps. will collect payments from students on morning arrival on the days listed (Deposit and Final Payment) * July payment by US Mail or Credit Card Only

* Checks are payable to Traveling Classrooms * receipts provided for cash payments

**** Credit Card payments:** Traveling Classrooms has partnered with Wetravel. Simply go to the Traveling Classrooms website. Select "Submit Payment", click "See schools". Scroll down until you see the Jackson DC trip tab and follow prompts * Parents can view their payments, receive receipts, check balances, receive reminders, view trip schedules and components!

**** Pay by Mail:** Traveling Classrooms PO Box 35926 Canton, Ohio 44735

****REFUND POLICIES-PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:** Per School Policy, any student receiving **Out Of School Suspension** will be cancelled from tour participation. Please be aware, the tour company will follow all refund policies listed. Students may be cancelled due to other school guidelines. Those students will also forfeit payments per refund policies. * **Balance Refund Policy:** Cancellation 29 days from departure- Full Balance Refund . Cancellation 28-0 days- \$50 refund. **All refund requests must be mailed to: bob@travelingclassrooms.com** Traveling Classrooms will issue tour vouchers for all participants if tour is rescheduled due to conditions beyond its control. * **If school cancels trip after May 25, Traveling Classrooms will retain \$50 per student. All other payments will be refunded asap pending pre-paid vendor refunds to Traveling Classrooms.**

SIGHTSEEING AREAS:

Lincoln Memorial

American History Smithsonian

Vietnam Veterans Wall

Arlington Cemetery

WWII Memorial

Capitol Building

National Archives

Korea Memorial

Marine Iwo Statue

Natural History Smithsonian

Roosevelt Memorial

MLK Memorial

Jefferson Memorial

Capitol Building

Mount Vernon Estate

TRAVELING CLASSROOMS

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Jackson Middle School Washington DC 2026

Tuesday, October 20: 8 Barons Bus Lines Motorcoaches * Arrive 5:30am, Depart 6:00am

Restroom Stop Enroute Oakmont Plaza Approx. 8:30am * Driver Relief

Lunch /Restroom Stop South Mountain Plaza 11am

- Students pack their own lunches/beverage

Arrive Udvar-Hazy Air/Space Smithsonian 1pm

* See the Space Shuttle Discovery plus many other historical aircraft !

Arlington National Cemetery 3:15pm

- Visit President JFK Gravesite
- Watch the 5pm Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of Unknown Soldiers

Pentagon City Mall Food Court 5:30pm for dinner * Meal Voucher

Pentagon Memorial 7:15pm

Iwo Jima Marine Memorial 8:15-9:00pm

Check-In Doubletree By Hilton Washington Dulles Hotel Herndon, Va. 10pm

- 703-478-2900

Room Check & Goodnight 10pm "Student Watchers" Security 10pm-6am

Wednesday, October 21: Buffet Breakfast At Hotel 6:30am Depart Hotel 8am

- Boys begin 6:45am, Girls Begin 7am

Mount Vernon Estate 9am

* George Washington Mansion and Grounds Pass Tkt.

- Lunch at Mount Vernon Food Court 12 Noon * Blue Meal Voucher

MLK, FDR, Jefferson Memorials 12:30-2pm

- Buses will split for loading/unloading

Smithsonian Flex Time 2-5pm

- Chaperone/Student group choices (American, Natural, African-American, Art Smithsonians, National Archives, Holocaust Building)

Dinner at Reagan Commerce Center Food Court 5:15pm * Meal Voucher

WWII, Lincoln, Vietnam, Korean Memorials 6:30-9:00pm

- Buses will split for loading/unloading

Return to Hotel 9:30pm

Room Check & Goodnight – Student Watchers Security 10pm-6am

Thursday, October 22: Buffet Breakfast at Hotel 7:00am Depart Hotel 8:00am

US Capitol 9:00-11am

- Lunch at Capitol Café * Meal voucher

White House & "Honest Abes" Gift Shop 12:30-1:30pm Noon

- Buses will split during this time slot

Depart For Jackson Middle School 1:30pm

Dinner Stop at Breezewood Gateway Plaza 3:30pm

- Cheeseburgers or Chicken Tenders, Chips, Bottled Water

Restroom Stop Ohio Border Turnpike Plaza 6:30pm

Arrive Back at Jackson Middle School 8:30pm

REMOVAL FROM TRIP:

Students removed from the trip for any reason will follow the refund policies listed above. Students may also be removed due to other guidelines listed on the Parent/Student Agreement. The following is a list of behaviors that may deem a student ineligible for participation. Please read over the list and be aware of the consequences of chosen behaviors:

- Any student who is no longer enrolled in or attending classes full-time (5 days a week) at JMMS.
- Any student who is expelled from or suspended out of school during the first nine weeks of 26-27 school year or the second semester of the 25-26 school year. ****Fighting leads to immediate removal from the trip.****
- Any student who is assigned to Alternative Daily Assignment (ADA) during the first nine weeks of 26-27 school year or the second semester of the 25-26 school year for **more than one** incident.
- Any student who has been suspended from Jackson Local Schools' busing.
- Any student who has excessive amounts of detention (lunch, after school, or extended Friday)
- Any student who has met the excessively absent or habitually truant for the current school year.
- Any student who still owes with regard to school fees.
- Students' grades will be evaluated before the trip, and could result in removal from the trip

In addition, there are several requirements that students' participation in the trip must meet that relate to physical stamina. All Students must be able to accomplish the following:

1. Function without direct adult supervision (for example: 8 hours in a hotel room at night)
2. Be aware of their surroundings and be responsible for their own safety
3. Communicate their needs to others
4. Follow oral instructions
5. Stay with an assigned group
6. Keep up with a moderate pace
7. Adapt to schedule changes and routine changes
8. Function on less than normal sleep
9. Be comfortable being away from home for an extended period of time

An administrator will meet with any student who faces non-participatory status. The parent/guardian will be notified of the final decision. A decision made by the school for non-participation can occur any time up to the time of departure.

VIOLATIONS OF THE STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT ON THE TRIP WILL RESULT IN SCHOOL DISCIPLINE, UP TO AND INCLUDING IMMEDIATE REMOVAL FROM THE TRIP. THIS WOULD REQUIRE A PARENT TO DRIVE TO WASHINGTON, DC TO PICK UP THEIR CHILD.

JACKSON FALL 2026 8TH GRADE DC REGISTRATION FORM

October 20-21-22, 2026

***ONLY RETURN WITH IN- SCHOOL OR MAIL-IN PAYMENTS**

(Student) _____ has my permission to participate in this activity. I have read, understand & accept all refund policies.

(Parent/Guardian) _____ Date: _____

PARENT EMAIL ADDRESS REQUIRED: _____

AMOUNT: \$150.00 Non-Refundable Deposit: Due May 21-22, 2026

CHECK PAYABLE TO: Traveling Classrooms * Please write student name on memo area of check

CK # _____ Cash: _____

MAILING: Traveling Classrooms PO Box 35926 Canton, Ohio 44735

2nd PAYMENT FORM

***ONLY RETURN WITH MAIL-IN PAYMENTS**

SCHOOL: Jackson 8th Grade Washington DC October 20-21-22, 2026

STUDENT NAME: _____

AMOUNT: \$150.00 Due: July 17, 2026

CHECK PAYABLE TO: Traveling Classrooms * Please write student name/school on memo

• CK # _____

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BALANCE PAYMENT FORM

***ONLY RETURN WITH IN-SCHOOL OR MAIL-IN PAYMENTS**

SCHOOL: Jackson 8th Grade Washington DC October 20-21-22, 2026

STUDENT NAME: _____

AMOUNT: \$190.00 Refundable Balance Due September 10-11, 2026

CHECK PAYABLE TO: Traveling Classrooms

* Please write student name on memo area of check

CK # _____ Cash: _____

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