



CLARENCE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

We are excited to announce that we are offering our 8th grade students the opportunity to travel to Washington, D.C. in November 2026. We will be leaving Clarence Middle School on Tuesday, November 3rd in the morning and returning in the evening on Friday, November 6th.

Our trip will include a visit to several historic sites in and outside of Washington, D.C. Travel arrangements have been made with Metro Tours, Inc. The itinerary includes a visit to the Smithsonian museums, tours of several monuments and memorials and admission to the Spy Museum, Mount Vernon and the National Aquarium in Baltimore. There will also be a Potomac River dinner cruise on the Spirit of Washington.

Your child will be receiving an informational packet in school after spring recess. Additionally, there will be an informational video posted to the Clarence Middle School website and sent out through Parent Square. Those who are interested in the trip should watch the video at their convenience to find out how and when to register. The informational packet will include trip details, payment plans, insurance information and medical forms. This packet can also be found on the CMS website.

Please be aware that the Clarence Central School District reserves the right to cancel the trip at any time for any reason including but not limited to: Covid related matters, a travel alert, advisory or warning. Trip insurance is **not** included in the final price of the trip but it is strongly recommended to be purchased when registering your child. This will be further explained in the upcoming informational video in April.

If you have any questions after viewing the video, please contact either Bradley Paxton or Katie Lavey at the Middle School. We are looking forward to planning this upcoming trip and thank you in advance for your continued support.

Sincerely yours,

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