



Clarence Middle School

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Dear 8th Grade Parent/Guardians:

This letter is to inform you of our plan for students not attending one of our 8th grade trips to Washington, DC, and Quebec from **November 3-6, 2026**. We want these students to have a great week here at CMS as well, with opportunities to get out of the building, try some different activities, spend time with friends, and enjoy some fun and meaningful experiences in our local community. We have put together a schedule that we hope will make this a memorable week for students while they are here at CMS.

The general format for each day will include a field trip in the morning, followed by a choice of a movie or silent study hall in the afternoon. The attached schedule and permission form provide details about each field trip and allow you and your student to indicate which activities they would like to attend. Some field trips have an associated fee.

We appreciate the support of our PTO in funding the ice time for our skating field trip and our Buffalo Tour Experience, which helps reduce the cost for families. If your student attends all of the available field trips, the total cost for the week will be **\$26.75**. If your family needs assistance with the cost of the field trips, please contact Mrs. Tudor.

Please take a few minutes to discuss the events of the week with your student and indicate their choices on the permission slip. We need head counts for our field trip experiences for transportation and staffing purposes, so it is important to have accurate information.

Please also note the following:

- Students must return their permission form by the deadline in order to participate in field trips. Students who do not return the form on time may not be able to attend.
- **Once payment has been submitted, we will not be able to provide refunds.**
- Last-minute changes to attend a field trip cannot be accommodated.

Students should return the permission slip and payment in an envelope to the house office by Friday, October 2, 2026. The form should be returned even if a student does not plan to attend school that week so we can plan accordingly.

We look forward to a great week!

Ashley Dreibelbis
Principal

Student Name: _____

I have reviewed the options with my student and give permission for my student to attend the field trips as indicated on this permission form.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Return this form to YOUR HOUSE OFFICE along with field trip payment in an envelope no later than **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2026.**

IMPORTANT NOTE: This form should be returned even if you are not attending school - please check the appropriate box.

MORNING FIELD TRIP CHOICES:

Day	Description	Choice (check 1 box)	Cost (check box if attending)
Tuesday, 11/3	Niagara Power Vista Students leave CMS by 9:15 am and return by 1:20 pm. Students should bring a bagged lunch.	☐ Attend Field Trip → ☐ Remain at School for Silent Study Hall ☐ My student does not plan to attend school on this day. **I will contact the attendance office and inform them. Depending on the reason, the absence will either be excused or unexcused.	No cost Students should bring a bagged lunch.
Wednesday, 11/4	Ice Skating Northtowns Center Students leave CMS by 9:15 am and return by 1:00 pm. Students have the option to buy a lunch package for \$6.75 (includes fries, soda or bottled water, choice of chicken fingers, slice of pizza or hamburger) or they can bring a bagged lunch. Please indicate their choice by checking a selection in the last column.	☐ Attend Field Trip → <div style="margin-left: 40px;">☐ Check this box if you have NEVER skated before (It's ok! There will be chaperones to help.)</div> ☐ Remain at School for Silent Study Hall ☐ My student does not plan to attend school on this day. **I will contact the attendance office and inform them. Depending on the reason, the absence will either be excused or unexcused.	☐ \$5 for skate rental OR ☐ My student will bring their skates AND ☐ \$6.75 for lunch pkg. OR ☐ My student will bring a bagged lunch



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Thursday, 11/5	City of Buffalo Experience Students leave CMS by 9:15 am and return by 1:30 pm. A guided tour will be provided by Mr. Kohler, who is the Erie County Historian, to include Carousel ride. Students should bring a bagged lunch.	☐ Attend Field Trip → ☐ Remain at School for Silent Study Hall ☐ My student does not plan to attend school on this day. **I will contact the attendance office and inform them. Depending on the reason, the absence will either be excused or unexcused.	No cost Students should bring a bagged lunch.
Friday, 11/6	Bowling at Brad Angelo Lanes-Lockport Students leave CMS by 9:15am and return by 12:30pm Includes 2 games of bowling, shoes, 2 slices of pizza, 1 drink	☐ Attend Field Trip → ☐ Remain at School for Silent Study Hall ☐ My student does not plan to attend school on this day. **I will contact the attendance office and inform them. Depending on the reason, the absence will either be excused or unexcused.	☐ \$15.00 for shoes, bowling and food/drink
Total cost - checks made payable to Clarence Middle School are preferred, cash will be accepted. There will be a \$10 fee for any returned checks.			\$ _____