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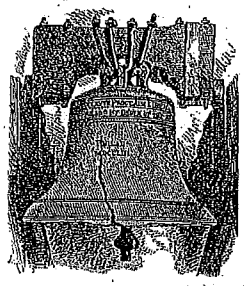
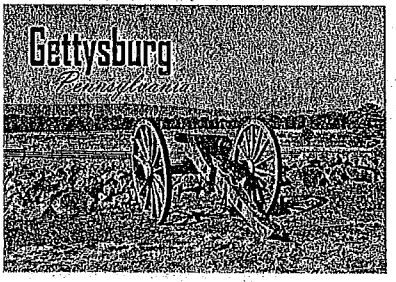
8TH GRADE TRIP 2027
PHILADELPHIA-GETTYSBURG





PARENT MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2026
LCMS CAFETERIA
7:00 P.M.

FOLLOWING PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

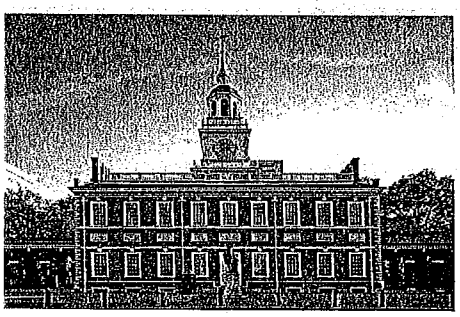
INFORMATION THAT WILL BE SHARED INCLUDES

DATES

COST

ITINERARY

RULES AND EXPECTATIONS





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LYNCHBURG-CLAY MIDDLE SCHOOL
GETTYSBURG - PHILADELPHIA EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL PROGRAM

Monday	6:00a	Depart school
May 17		Rest stops enroute
2027	12:30p	Lunch - *Firehouse Subs - delivered to Flight 93*
	1:00p	Flight 93 Memorial
	2:30p	Depart for Gettysburg
	6:15p	Dinner - The Farmhouse
	7:15p	Check into Courtyard Hotel
	8:15p	Ghost Tour thru Gettysburg
	9:30p	Return to hotel
		Relax in your room
	10:00p	Night supervision on duty- Lights out
Tuesday	7:00a	Breakfast – Hotel Buffet
May 18	7:45a	Check out of the hotel
	8:00a	BUS BATTLEFIELD TOUR with local guide
	10:15a	Gettysburg Visitor Center - New Birth of Freedom & Cyclorama
	11:00a	self-guided tour of exhibits
	12:30p	Lunch – Appalachian Brewery Company (??)
	2:30p	Depart for Philadelphia
	5:00p	Check into Hotel
	6:15p	Phillies game vs Miami Marlins (Start time TBD)
		Return to the Hotel - Relax in your room
	10:00p	Night supervision on duty- Lights out
Wednesday	7:00a	Breakfast - Hotel Buffet
May 19	8:30a	TOUR INDEPENDENCE HISTORICAL PARK with a local guide
		LIBERTY BELL, CARPENTER'S HALL, CHRIST CHURCH, CONGRESS HALL
		INDEPENDENCE HALL (if available)
	11:30a	CONSTITUTION CENTER
	1:30p	Lunch** – Reading Terminal Market
	3:00p	American Revolution Museum
	5:30p	SPRUCE STREET HARBOR PARK
	6:30p	Dinner – Gourmet Cheesesteak (pre-order)
	8:30p	Return to the Hotel
		Relax in your room
	10:00p	Night supervision on duty- Lights out
Thursday	6:30a	Breakfast - Hotel Buffet
May 20	7:30a	Check out of the hotel
	9:00a	VALLEY FORGE NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK VISITOR CENTER
		Valley Forge Winter Encampment
	11:00a	Depart for home
	12:30p	Lunch - Miller's Smorgasbord
		Rest stops enroute
	6:15p	Dinner - Exit 218 on I-70 in Ohio - (Honey Baked Ham Boxed Meals)
		Rest Stop as needed
	10:30p	Arrive back at school

**Students will be given $25.00 towards these meals.

Adjustments to the itinerary may be necessary based on the availability of the attraction, crowds, traffic, weather conditions, organization, control, and promptness of the group, etc.

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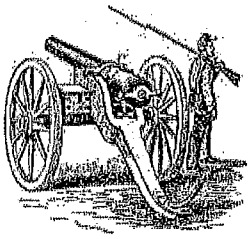
GETTYSBURG - PHILADELPHIA

PLACES WE WILL SEE:

- FLIGHT 93 MEMORIAL
- CONGRESS HALL
- LIBERTY BELL
- CHRIST CHURCH
- CARPENTER'S HALL
- INDEPENDENCE HALL
- CONSTITUTION CENTER
- AMERICAN REVOLUTION MUSEUM
- SPRUCE STREET HARBOR PARK
- GETTYSBURG VISITOR CENTER
- GETTYSBURG BATTLEFIELD TOUR
- GETTYSBURG GHOST TOUR
- VALLEY FORGE NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK
- PHILLIES GAME AT CITIZENS BANK PARK





EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- DELUXE MOTOR COACH TRANSPORTATION
- THREE NIGHTS DELUXE HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS
- ELEVEN MEALS
- ALL ADMISSIONS, TAXES, GRATUITIES (as per itinerary)
- SCHOOL STAFF CHAPERONES
- ACCIDENT TRAVEL INSURANCE
- SERVICES OF A PROFESSIONAL TOUR MANAGER
- LOCAL GUIDE (half day)
- NIGHT SUPERVISION

DEPART
Monday – 6:00 a.m.
May 17, 2027

RETURN
Thursday – 10:30 p.m.
May 20, 2027

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Cut on the line and return to **Classic Student Tours** with your **$260.00 deposit by November 20, 2026.** To make a payment online, visit www.classicstudenttours.com or call (937)439-0032 and have credit card information ready. Make all checks payable to **Classic Student Tours** and be sure to write the school and student's name on the check to ensure proper credit. Please fill out checks with black ink only. Email completed permission form to info@classicstudenttours.com. Permission forms and checks can also be mailed to our office address at the top of this letter. A deposit is what secures a spot on the trip for your student, not this permission slip alone.

PLEASE FILL IN FORM COMPLETELY AND PRINT CLEARLY
PARENTAL PERMISSION FORM

ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR TRIP
LYNCHBURG-CLAY MIDDLE SCHOOL- PHIL 2027

STUDENT NAME (*print*) _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____ **PHONE** _____
(Agreement and Acceptance of Above Terms) *(w/ Area Code)*

PARENT NAME (*print*) _____ **DATE** _____

ADDRESS _____ **CITY** _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP** _____

EMAIL _____

My son/daughter has my permission to participate in the Gettysburg-Philadelphia Educational Travel Program. I agree that Classic Student Tours, the School District, their employees and/or chaperones are not liable for accidents, injury, loss of property, damages, etc. in any form. In the event of a claim Classic Student Tours liability shall be limited to the amount paid by the client for the tour package. I further agree to be personally and financially responsible for any damage caused by my son/daughter to the motor coach, hotel property, other premises we visit on tour, etc.

Refund Policy: All money will be fully refunded if Classic Student Tours terminates the tour for any reason, except for default of payment. A student/paying participant canceled from the tour for any reason will be charged a minimum of seventy-five dollars ($75.00). Any cancellations after the final payment date will be charged a minimum of 50% of the total trip cost. There will be no refund for cancellations within 14 days of departure. Checks not honored by client's bank due to insufficient funds, closed accounts, etc. will incur a $25.00 bank and processing fee. A $25.00 cancellation processing fee will be charged per participant if the group cancels the tour along with any non-refundable expenses incurred by Classic Student Tours.

********** *Return to School* **********

LYNCHBURG-CLAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

8TH GRADE TRIP

PARENT/STUDENT CONTRACT

Lynchburg-Clay Middle School is committed to providing students with the best educational experience possible and we feel this trip does provide a great experience. However, we also realize this trip is not for everyone (financially, schedules outside of school, family decisions, etc.). This trip is three nights and four days away from home and our schedule makes for very long days. Students need to be flexible and patient because we are on a tight schedule that may change unexpectedly due to weather, traffic, or other delays.

We also have high expectations of behavior and require our students to represent our school in a positive manner. This experience is a privilege, therefore the following is a list of possible scenarios that would lead to removal from the trip. Each of the following will be determined by LCMS administration and trip sponsors.

1. Suspensions
2. Excessive Incentive Points (determined by administration/staff)
3. Grades (Failing more than one subject)
4. Habitual or Chronic Absences
5. Excessive office referrals
6. Other discipline issues (determined by administration/staff)
    a. ISS
    b. After School Detentions
    c. Saturday Schools
    d. Extra-Curricular Suspensions

I have read and understand the information presented in this contract.

_____ _____

Parent Signature *Date*

_____ _____

Student Signature *Date*

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Dear Parents and Students,

It's time to begin planning our annual tour to Gettysburg / Philadelphia. Tour dates this year are **Monday - Thursday, May 17 - 20, 2027.** Our staff will chaperone the tour, which will be arranged by Classic Student Tours, a local agency that specializes in Educational Student Travel Programs and has been coordinating tours since 1985.

A Classic Student Tours representative will conduct a brief informational meeting and presentation at the school on **Tuesday, October 27, 2026 at 7:00 PM.** All interested students and their parents should attend this meeting so that questions regarding this travel opportunity can be answered. The cost of the travel program per student, based on quad occupancy and the following number of paying participants per motor coach, is:

44 - 47 per motor coach $995.00	**36 - 39 per motor coach $1055.00**
40 - 43 per motor coach $1015.00	**32 - 35 per motor coach $1080.00**

(These prices are subject to adjustment if suppliers increase their cost to Classic Student Tours.)

All admissions, meals, lodging and transportation are included in the package. Spending money for snacks, souvenirs, etc. should be minimal and is left to your discretion. Reservations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.
The payment due dates and amounts are as follows:

	DUE DATE	AMOUNT	
Fri	11/20/26	$260	**Deposit ($75 of which is non-refundable) & Completed Permission Form to hold reservation.** Deposits received after one motor coach is filled will be accepted to form a waiting list for replacement of canceled reservations.
Fri	**01/15/27**	**$260**	**Second Payment**
Fri	**02/19/27**	**$260**	**Third Payment**
Fri	**04/02/27**	**Varied**	**Balance** (determined by number of participants per motor coach on our account current date)

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Credit Card
  - Please go to *www.classicstudenttours.com* and click on "Make a Payment"
  - Or call our office at (937) 439 - 0032
- Payment by check
  - Please make it **payable to Classic Student Tours**
  - Include the student's *first and last name along with school name*
  - **Please fill out the checks with black ink only.**
  - **April 2, 2027** is the last day personal checks can be accepted as payment for the trip!

Invoices **will not** be individually mailed for payments. Special payment arrangements can be made upon request. **Email completed permission form to info@classicstudenttours.com.** Permission forms and checks can also be mailed to our office address at the top of this letter.

On February 26, 2027, ALL ACCOUNTS MUST BE CURRENT (including payment arrangements made through the tour company), **or participants will be removed from the trip until accounts are brought current.** If a participant is removed from the trip due to a delinquent account, the participant will be placed on a waiting list until the account is brought current. Seat availability is **not guaranteed,** as his/her spot will be filled with a student from the waiting list, if one exists. Additionally, all refund policies are in effect.

This tour will be educational, interesting, and fun! I'm sure this tour will be remembered as a highlight of each student's middle school experience.

Sincerely,

Todd Faust
LCMS - Advisor
todd.faust@lclsd.org

Jon Guinther
Classic Student Tours
info@classicstudenttours.com

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Responsibility: Classic Student Tours acts only as the agent for the tour participants in arranging transportation, lodging, meals, sightseeing, admissions, etc. Classic Student Tours or their employees assume no responsibility for personal injury or illness, property damage, loss, delay or irregularity of transportation, lodging, restaurants, sights, attractions, weather conditions, acts of God, etc. In the event of a claim Classic Student Tours' liability shall be limited to the amount paid by the client for the tour package. Classic Student Tours is not liable for the responsibilities or default of transportation carriers, hotels, restaurants, attractions, etc. Classic Student Tours reserves the right to provide substitutes of comparable value when conditions warrant an adjustment in contracted tour features. Classic Student Tours and its employees reserve the right to make special arrangements for participants unwilling to abide by tour policies - at the participants expense!

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Lynchburg-Clay Middle School
Gettysburg - Philadelphia
Payment Due Dates

- **November 20, 2026:** **$260.00 deposit and Permission slip due**
- **January 15, 2027:** **$260.00 due**
- **February 19, 2027:** **$260.00 due**
- **April 2, 2027:** **Balance due**

Please be aware these are not automatic payments.

On February 26, 2027, **ALL payments must be paid up to date** or participant can be removed from the trip until balance has been brought current. (See parent letter for details.) Final cost is based on the number of paying participants current with payments.

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