June 10, 2013

Dear 8th Graders, Parents, and Guardians,

This notice summarizes information about Lincoln Middle School’s annual 8th grade trip to Washington DC

DC Tentative*** Trip Dates: 12:30 PM Tuesday, June 3 – Sunday, June 8 11:30 AM

***The exact dates and student cost will be finalized AFTER our return from this year’s trip

Rationale: Social Studies Standards and Benchmarks – US History
Science – Smithsonian
English – Information Gathering, Projects, Journaling
Math – Scheduling, Budgeting, Timetables
Social – Team Building, Incentives to conform to school rules

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<th>Item</th>
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<td>Lamer’s Coach Bus</td>
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<td>Hotel – Hyatt Crystal City (4 to a room, 3 nights)</td>
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<td>Food Allowance</td>
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<td>Misc. Expenses (Metro, Gettysburg, Mt. Vernon, Ford’s Theater, Archives, National Cathedral, 3 T-Shirts)</td>
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<td>Spending Money (this money will be returned to students for spending money on the trip, this money can be fundraised)</td>
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Student Trip Participation Requirements:

Our goal is that all interested 8th grade students participate in this trip (as space allows). However, students who do not follow Lincoln Middle School Expectations as posted or have excessive referrals may not be allowed to go on this trip. The principal will make final decision regarding student participation. Students with excessive referrals/discipline problems may be removed from the trip at any time with NO REFUND!

Payment Plan:
October 15, 2013 – Interest sheet & $40 deposit due
November 15, 2013 - $150 due
January 15, 2014 - $150 due
February 15, 2014 - $150 due (Last day to withdraw with a refund)
April 15, 2014 - Balance Due
Students must have their account current by Feb. 15 (Current=having at least $490 paid including incentive and fundraising payments / OR have made payment arrangements directly with Mrs. Cosenza) to be included on the final roster for students going to DC. Student whose accounts are not current or have not made payment arrangements with the main office will be removed from the list and a student from the waiting list will be added in their place. Payment questions can be directed to our head secretary, Sue Cosenza, (359-6257 or scosenza@kusd.edu)

Cancellation Policy
Students/Parents may cancel at anytime, but we are only able to allow refunds for students withdrawing from the trip before February 15. After that date we are locked into hotel rooms, event & food vouchers, etc and have to pay whether the students attend or not. NO REFUNDS AFTER FEBRUARY 15, 2014

Chaperones
Chaperone spots will be filled on a lottery basis. All parents who have signed up to chaperone whose student account is current on January 24 (Current=having at least $340 paid), will have their names entered into a lottery and will be chosen on that day. We will select as many chaperones as space allows. Unfortunately, due to space limitations on the bus, we are not able to bring every chaperone who wants to attend. The lottery method is the only fair way to fill the openings.

$325 fee; Background check required
Attendance at 3 1/2 -hour Training Sessions Required : Mondays, May 5, May 12, May 19 from 6:30-8:00 in the LMS Library.

Itinerary
A copy of the 2013 TENTATIVE trip itinerary is attached. It will be subject to change for this year (It is last year’s itinerary, updated with this year’s dates)

Fundraising
Mr. Nieman will be heading up the fundraising activities for the DC trip. If you are interested in helping to coordinate additional fundraising opportunities please contact Mr. Nieman directly (tnieman@kusd.edu)

Preparing Students for Trip
Students will meet with staff on Mondays during advisory beginning at the start of 2nd semester to prepare for the trip. They will participate in lessons designed specifically for the places that we will visit.

Permission Slips & Medical Information
Students will receive a packet of information at their first advisory meeting. This packet will contain a permission slip, responsibility contract and medical information. All medications are dispensed by staff members on the trip. Students MUST have a medical form signed by their doctor for any prescription medication, and a form completed by the parent/guardian for any over the counter medications. Please don’t leave this important task to the last minute! Also, prior to the trip medication must be turned into the main office in it’s original container, in a Ziploc bag with the child’s name on it.
**If your child has an IEP or a 504 plan, please plan to contact your child’s case manager in the fall**

If you have questions you may contact Miss Jennifer Marvin, our trip organizer, at jmarvin@kbsd.edu or 359-6034.
Washington DC Student Sign-up

I am interested in attending the Washington DC trip being sponsored by Lincoln Middle School June 3-8, 2014 (tentative dates, subject to change). I understand the following:

- I must follow Lincoln Middle School rules and the KUSD School Board policies. I understand the principal will have the final say about my attendance on this trip. Students with excessive referrals/discipline problems may be removed from the trip at any time with NO REFUND!

- The cost of the trip is $675 to be paid in 5 installments (plus deposit) (10/15/13, 11/15/13, 1/15/14, 2/15/14, 4/15/14)

- I understand that ALL fundraising money is NON-REFUNDABLE!

__________________________________________________________________________  __________
Student Signature                                          Date

__________________________________________________________________________  __________
Parent Name (print clearly)                                          Date

__________________________________________________________________________  __________
Parent e-mail address
(print clearly we will use this for communicating about the trip)

___ yes- I want my name included in the Parent Chaperone lottery

***Please indicate if there is a medical need for your child that would require you to chaperone.

***Space is limited, spots for the trip will be filled on a first, come basis, a waiting list will be started for students after the initial 100 seats are filled.

Return this form and your $40 deposit ASAP
Lincoln Middle School - Washington DC
Tentative Trip Itinerary (subject to minor changes)

June 4-9, 2013

***ALL MEALS ARE INCLUDED IN THE COST OF THE TRIP

**Tuesday, June 4**

7:30-8:30 Store luggage in the Orchestra Room
(Do not lock luggage, it will be checked)

8:30-11:20 Normal Class Schedule

11:20-11:50 Lunch in the Cafeteria

12:00 Meet in the Auditorium - Final Directions

12:30 Load Bus

6:30 Bus will stop for dinner - Students given $10 for dinner.
Make first entry into journal.

**Wednesday, June 5**

6:30 Breakfast at Perkins near Gettysburg Grounds

8:00 Guided tour of Gettysburg

10:30 Gettysburg Film, Cyclorama & Museum

1:00 Bus departs Gettysburg Museum / Lunch at General Picket's Buffet in
Gettysburg, PA (1:15pm)

2:45 Depart for Hotel (Crystal City Hyatt)

6:30 Bus to union station for dinner (meal voucher provided)

8:30 Depart Union Station / Back to Hotel

10:00 All students in hotel room, place journals in hallway when completed

11:00 Lights Out

**Thursday, June 6**

7:30 Rise & Shine! (Wear gray shirts)

8:00 Breakfast served by Chaperones at the hotel

8:30 Depart by bus to Pentagon Memorial

9:45 Small groups on their own from Pentagon Memorial (Metro)
Students given $10 for lunch-small group choice

6:45 Meet at FDR

7:15 Bus to Pentagon City Mall for dinner (meal voucher provided)

9:00 Depart for Hotel

10:00 All students in hotel room, place journals in hallway when completed

11:00 Lights Out
Friday, June 7
7:00  Rise & Shine! (Wear maroon shirts)
7:30  Breakfast served by Chaperones at the hotel
8:00  Depart by bus to Mount Vernon (lunch voucher provided)
1:45  Depart by bus for National Cathedral (arrive at 2:30, tour at 2:45)
3:45  Depart by bus for Jefferson Memorial (for group photo)
5:00  Depart by bus for Arlington National Cemetery-Walking Tour
       Changing of the guard- 5:30 or 6:00 at the Tomb of the Unknowns
6:30  Bus to Buca Di Beppo's for dinner (dinner @ 7:00pm)
8:30  Depart from Buca's/ Night Tour of DC (stop and let students get out at
       WWII Memorial/ Depart for Hotel
10:00 All students in hotel room, place journals in hallway when completed
11:00 Lights Out

Saturday, June 8
7:30  Rise & Shine! Breakfast served by Chaperones at the hotel
       (Wear tie-dyed shirts)
8:30  Do not leave room until chaperone has checked you out and marked your
       door. Check out and load suitcases onto busses.
8:45  Depart for Iwo Jima / Buses to Ford Theater
10:00 Tour of Ford's Theater (groups will be on their own after tour)
       Students given $10 for lunch-small group choice
3:15/3:30 National Archives Tour
6:30  Buses depart from White House area
7:00  Dinner at Old Country Buffet in Alexandria, VA
       Depart by bus for Kenosha.
10:30 Busses make stop to prepare for sleep

Sunday, June 9
Breakfast on the road. Students are given $7 for breakfast.
10:00 am arrive in Kenosha

Possible Points of Interest:
- Library of Congress  Supreme Court  Capitol
  Vietnam Memorial  Lincoln memorial  Korean memorial
  FDR Memorial  - Washington Monument  WWII Memorial
  Sculpture Garden  Air & Space Museum*  American History Museum
  Natural History Museum  National Zoo  Ford's Theater/Peterson House
  Freedom Plaza  Exterior of White House  National Archives
  Old Post Office*  Regan Building*  Dept of Agriculture*
  (* places for meals) Smithsonian Museums 10:00am-5:30pm