



Spring Trip 2024 Washington, DC

Informational meeting - March 19, 2024



Communication tool - Rooms

- County mandated replacement of Remind.
- Students and parents - download the Shelby County Schools app.
- Titled Shelby Schools, AL in app stores.
- For parents - guardian invites were sent by the school system to the email you have in PowerSchool. They may have expired.
- We have guardian invite info we can distribute at the end of the meeting.
- Students are easier - visit <https://edurooms.com>.
- Login - no need to register.



Communication tool - Rooms

- Again, both students and parents both must have the Shelby County Schools app.
- Enable notifications for the app.
- We will send announcements throughout the trip to the Spring Trip 2024 Room that we created.
- Students are already in the correct Room.
- Parents will see the Rooms their child is in that have been published.
- Your main task is to download the app and enable notifications.
- There is a help section on the school system website.



Overall expectations....

- This is a school trip, therefore school rules apply.
- The rules travel with us. Being in DC doesn't make you exempt.
- The SCBOE Code of Conduct still applies.
- No weapons, no drugs, no alcohol, no substances or items that are usually prohibited are allowed.
- Failure to follow Code of Conduct expectations will result in school punishment, being removed from band, or worse.
- COMMON SENSE!



Overall expectations, continued...

- Students must always be in groups of 3 or more.
- You are not required to be with an adult, but you must be in a group of 3+.
- If we find you alone or in a group of 2, you will spend time with us.
- Parents can be with their child in a group of 2.
- Be aware of your surroundings.
- Again, common sense!



Rooming and hotel expectations...

- We are a large group, and therefore will attract attention.
- Be courteous and respectful to hotel staff and your roommates.
- We do not wander around the hotel.
- When we get to the hotel at any point, you go straight to your room.
- Do not visit other rooms, period.
- An adult will do a room check each night.



Wednesday

April 10

TRAVEL DAY

Early departure (around 5am).

Eat breakfast on your own.

Will stop for lunch and dinner.

Bring money for both meals!

Will make fuel/rest stops at driver's discretion.

Bring snacks, etc on the bus.

Go to the hotel after dinner.

Hotel arrival at 9:00pm (approx)

LONG DAY!

Hotel info

Crowne Plaza College Park
6400 Ivy Lane
Greenbelt, MD 20770



Thursday

April 11

SIGHTSEEING AND DINNER CRUISE

Wear provided spring trip t-shirt

Hotel breakfast (included)

Arlington National Cemetery

White House photo op

National History Museum lunch (\$20 per person provided)

Smithsonian museums - afternoon

Spirit of Washington Dinner Cruise (included)

Friday

April 12

SIGHTSEEING DAY

Hotel breakfast (included)

Smithsonian museums and National Archives

Lunch (\$20 per person provided)

Guided monument and memorial tour

Dinner at Island Time Grill (included)

Saturday

April 13

PARADE DAY

Hotel breakfast early (included)

Change into uniforms at hotel

Travel to parade staging

Parade starts at 10:00am (should stream)

Lunch boxes at parade end (included)

Photo op at the Grant Memorial with US Capitol in background

Return to hotel to change and freshen up

Dinner at Dave and Busters (included with \$10 play card)

Sunday

April 14

TRAVEL DAY

Hotel breakfast (included)

Early departure

Will stop for lunch and dinner

Bring money for meals

Bring snacks, etc on the bus

Approx arrival - 8:00 to 9:00pm

LONG DAY!

Charter bus info...

- We will travel with three charter buses.
- Buses hold a max of 55 passengers.
- Each bus will have around 45 passengers.
- Adults and staff will spread amongst the three buses.
- Students will sign-up for which bus Thursday at the end of trip practice.
- Bus should have plugs for charging devices.
- Bathroom use on the buses should be a last resort situation.
- What is put on the bus travels with us.....



Luggage info...

- ONE suitcase that goes under the bus.
- ONE carry-on bag on the bus.
- PLEASE DO NOT BRING MORE THAN THAT.
- In the carry-on, please consider what you'll need for that day on the bus - chargers, snacks, headphones, money, etc.
- It is HIGHLY INCONVENIENT to get a suitcase out from under the bus.
- Band uniforms and instruments/equipment will be packed at the end of practice Monday, April 8. Those will be transported by equipment truck.

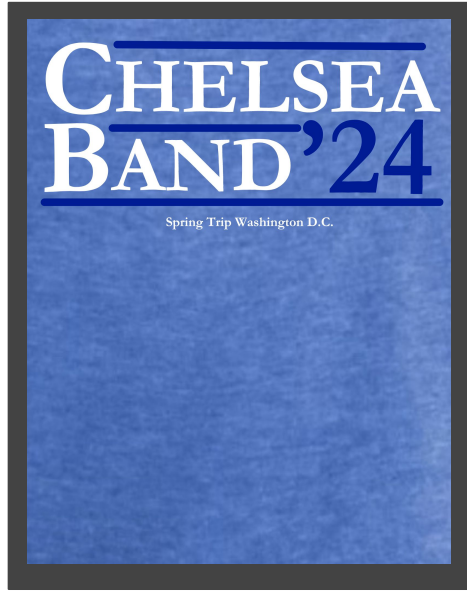


What to pack....

- Dress code applies.
- Check the weather in DC the week of April 8.
- Comfortable shoes (lots of walking).
- Thursday - spring trip t-shirt for all members.
- We will pass that shirt out Wednesday night during room checks.
- Instrumentalists - Dinkles, long black socks, white gloves.
- These can be packed in your uniform bag, but double check!!



Spring Trip shirt



Front



Back



Trip Shirt
Size Form



Medicine procedures....

- First, medicine procedures must be strictly followed.
- Not following procedures can land you in serious trouble.
- Students cannot have medicine on them at any time.
- Medicine can be distributed only if the proper forms have been completed and everything is approved by Nurse Fields.
- Parents were emailed a document with medical procedures.
- That email was sent last Tuesday, March 12.



Medication procedures, continued...

- Nurse Fields will coordinate medicine needs BEFORE the trip.
- Forms are due to Nurse Fields by March 22.
- Medications are due to Nurse Fields by April 5.
- Girls medicine will be distributed by Mrs. Lovelace or Mrs. Sexton.
- Guys medicine will be distributed by Mr. Lawley or Mr. Johnson.
- Parents traveling on the trip can administer medicine for their child without the need of forms. But only to their child.
- Morning medicine is distributed at hotel breakfast.
- Evening medicine is brought around to their hotel room.



Recap of money needs...

You will need money for:

- Meals on Wednesday and Sunday (bus travel days).
- Food beyond \$20 voucher Thursday and Friday (optional).
- Money for Dave and Buster's beyond the \$10 play card (optional).
- Snacks if we stop somewhere convenient (gas station on travel days).
- Any souvenirs you may want (optional).
- Budget and plan. We will not hold money for you.



Recap of other important items...

- Rooms communication tool - Parents who need their login info and magic code, please see Mr Johnson when we wrap up.
- Students download the SCS app and login with their school Google account.
- Help section on the school system website including a trouble ticket form.
- Medical forms available at the front. Nurse Fields can answer questions.



Let's have a
great trip!

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PRIDE!!
