



U.S. GOVERNMENT CLASS FIELD TRIP

Washington, D.C.
Monday, November 12, 2018



Trip Overview/Information

One of the best ways to get students excited about the American political system is to get them out of the classroom to visit a historical site or museum. A student excursion to Washington, D.C. creates a lifetime of memories and provides students with a better understanding of how the U.S. government works. Seniors taking U.S. Government have the opportunity to go to Washington D.C. in November. On this field trip, we will visit the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and tour several national memorials.

- This permission form and money are due back to your government teacher no later than **Friday, October 26.**
- The cost of the field trip is \$32.00 per student to cover transportation cost.
- **If a student has paid but cannot go on the trip, a refund will not be granted.** To keep the trip cost to students as low as possible, all student contributions are needed in order to pay for the charter buses.
- Government teachers will only accept the signed permission forms and money turned in together.
- The fieldtrip is open to all seniors taking US Government. The total number of students that sign up and pay for the trip by the deadline will determine how many charter busses will be used. Students are encouraged to turn in their forms and money in as soon as possible because space may be limited. Government teachers will collect forms and money in order that they are received. We may not fill the last bus. Therefore, we will need to determine if we pay for the entire bus or cancel the last bus. If cancelling the last bus is an option, we may have to turn away those students that signed up last.

Field Trip Expectations and Dress

- It is a privilege to be part of this trip. Students are representing Albemarle High School and need to act accordingly. All school rules are to be adhered to at all times – arriving at and leaving school, on the bus, and at the sites. If inappropriate behavior occurs, students will be dealt with at the time, following the disciplinary procedures established in the AHS student handbook. The local police will become involved if laws are broken.
- In general, students must be in good standing with the school. Students with disciplinary (ISD, ASD, OSS) and attendance issues may not participate in the trip.
- There is a chance that even if everything is set up, the trip will be cancelled due to weather or security issues. There will be no postponement. If the trip is cancelled for these reasons, money will be reimbursed. **However, if a student pays and does not show up the day of the trip or is not allowed to go after the payment, money will not be reimbursed.**
- Attire for this field trip is **casual professional. Casual professional means wearing nice, neat, clean, not ragged, ripped, or baggy clothes.**

Field Trip Expectations and Dress (continued)

- It specifically means: **NO jeans, NO tee-shirts** {unless plain with no pictures or words}, dressy crew neck tees, **NO shorts**, and presentable (**not dirty or ragged**), casual professional shoes (**no flip flops**). Because of the distance and frequency of walking required, it is strongly recommended that you wear comfortable walking shoes.
- The itinerary cannot be set in stone as of right now. All students may go to a certain location at the same time or the group may be divided into smaller tours and visit different sites. Further information about the itinerary and schedule will follow.
- Students will **NOT** be allowed to go on the trip with us if either of the following occurs:
 - Students who are not here at departure time will not be eligible for the field trip or a refund and will be expected to attend school.
 - Students who are not dressed appropriately will not be allowed to attend the trip, a refund will not be given, and they will be expected to attend school.

Washington D.C. Field Trip Itinerary (tentative)

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| • Departure Time from AHS | 6:15 a.m. |
| • Roosevelt and King Memorials | 9:15 |
| • Tour of U.S. Monuments OR Smithsonian | 10:00 – 11:00 |
| • Lunch at Union Station | 11:15 – 12:15 |
| • Tour of U.S. Capitol/Supreme Court/Library | 12:30 – 3:00 |
| • Depart D.C. | 3:15 |
| • Return Time to AHS | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |

Students are responsible for showing up at least fifteen minutes before departure in the morning as well as arranging for transportation home when we return.

Additional Field Trip Information

- **Means of Transportation:** Charter bus
- **Cost per Student:** \$32.00 (Cash or check - Please have exact amount of cash; we will not be able to give change. Please make checks to: Albemarle High School) Checks are preferred. A receipt will be given to the student when turned in. Additional money is required if interested in souvenirs or buying lunch.
- **Lunch:** To be provided by the student on the day of the trip – either bag lunch or money to buy lunch at an eating establishment.

WASHINGTON DC FIELD TRIP PERMISSION FORM
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TURN THIS COMPLETED FORM IN TO YOUR GOVERNMENT TEACHER ALONG WITH PAYMENT OF \$32.00.

*****Please keep the previous information for your records and return the permission form (on the next page) separately to your government teacher.**

In order to facilitate our organizing this trip, please complete the following information; your signatures acknowledge understanding of and agreement to the stipulations listed in the given packet.

I hereby give permission for my son/daughter to participate in this field trip to Washington, D.C., on Wednesday, November 8, 2017 and relieve the Albemarle County Public School System of all responsibility beyond that of normal supervision.

_____ (Printed Name of Student)

_____ (Signature of Student)

_____ (Printed Name of Parent/Guardian)

_____ (Signature of Parent/Guardian)

_____ (Date)

Student Cell Phone Number: _____

Allergy or Medical Condition of Student:

Emergency Contact:

_____ (Name)

_____ (Relation to student)

_____ (**Daytime** Phone Number)