

**Suggested Packing List  
Washington D.C.  
Tuesday, May 16 - Friday May 19, 2023**

Complete EMA Forms (pulled from the GMS office. Please update if necessary)

Medical forms for prescription medications & inhalers must be signed by physician  
Send only an amount of medication necessary for duration of trip

Toothbrush / Toothpaste / Lip Balm / Sunscreen / Deodorant / Person Hygiene Toiletries

Masks must be worn in ALL Federal Buildings. Please pack a clean mask for each day

Coat / Jacket / Hat / Rain jackets / Poncho / Sunglasses:  
Be prepared but watch forecast for Gettysburg, PA & Washington D.C.

Clothes for 3 days - NO pajama pants, NO spaghetti strap tops, NO shirts exposing the mid drift, or clothes w/ too many holes or holes in inappropriate places  
NO PJ's and sweatpants worn on buses! Please dress appropriately for the weather.

**You are representing Grant MS. We are touring our Nation's Capital and your clothes and behaviors need to be respectful of that! PLEASE & THANK YOU!**

2 pairs of comfortable walking shoes - there will be A LOT of walking! If it rains you won't want to wear wet shoes.

NO expensive items / jewelry / gaming systems / etc.

Cell Phone / Phone Chargers. Wifi on the bus? I can't make any guarantees.  
DVD's: movies to watch on the bus to be given to the Lead Teacher

You are responsible for carrying all the items you bring.

**Please tag all your luggage!!!**

1 suitcase will be stored under the bus. You will not be permitted to get into this larger suitcase until after we have arrived at our hotel at approx. 10:00pm.

1 small carry-on for: snacks, books, small blanket or a sweatshirt to stay warm while traveling on bus

**School personnel have the right to inspect luggage / rooms**

**Game Systems and Energy Drinks are NOT recommended!**

Water bottles are the only beverages permitted on the buses. You will be asked to throw away all other drinks before boarding the bus at each stop!

**8th Grade Class T-Shirt for Group Picture or a Kelly Green Shirt in case you did not purchase a class shirt**

Spending money. If YOU send it, Students will spend it! No extra money is necessary as everything is paid for. \$50 should be enough for a DC sweatshirt.

Please pack a refillable water bottle and a couple bottles of water! We don't always have easy access to vending machines to buy water. It will be hot & you will want to have several bottles of water with you on the bus!

**All School Rules apply while traveling**

Students are not permitted to stay at Grant when we return on Friday. Please make arrangements for someone to pick you up at approximately 4:00 pm.

#### **DEPARTURE**

The east/back/new cafeteria doors of Grant will be unlocked at **5:15 a.m., Tuesday, May 16th**. Students will know which table they have been assigned.

Please bring all tagged luggage to your table

**Medications:** Need to be in a ziplock bag with YOUR NAME, instructions regarding times, amount, and weather to be taken w/ or w/o food. Hand this ziplock bag to the LEAD TEACHER for your bus.

**ALL buses WILL pull out of the Grant parking lot at 5:45.** We have a timed/scheduled event at Gettysburg, PA., we cannot wait for those who do not arrive ontime!

While on the trip students may use their earbuds/headphones. HOWEVER, when any of the following are speaking: GrandClassroom Guide, Gettysburg Guide, Capital Hill Guide, National Cathedral Guide, Teacher, etc., **earbuds are expected to be put away. Students should be respectful and listen to the information being shared.**

**This trip is a privilege, if you can't follow our expectations, you should not travel!**

**RETURN**

We will return to Grant on Friday morning, **May 19th at approx. 4:00pm**. Students will make calls when we are approximately 20 minutes away from Grant to inform P/G of our arrival time. PLEASE make arrangements for someone to pick up your student.

**Thank you for helping to make this a memorable experience for everyone!**