

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!