

Dobbs Ferry DC Trip 2020



June 3 -June 5, 2020

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Trip Information Resources

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Online Resources:

DFMS website: go to [Dobbs Ferry Middle School Website](#)

Students have a Google DC Classroom page for easy access!

You can contact Mrs. Ducic directly at ducicc@dfsd.org

Our Itinerary:

Smithsonian Museums



Museum of American
History



Air and Space
Museum



Our Itinerary:

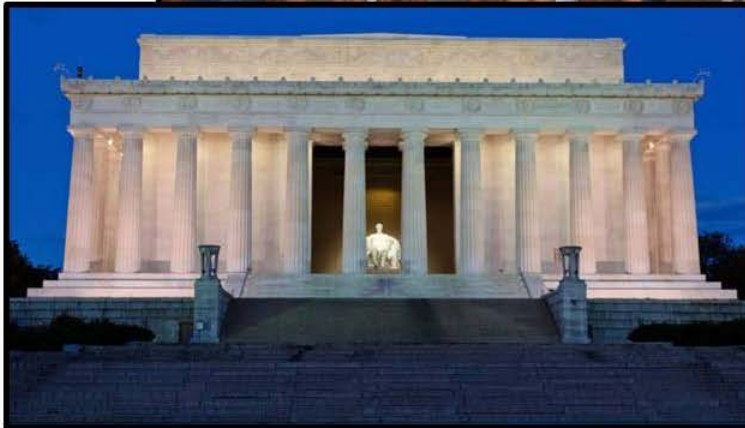
- Tour of the Capitol Building
- The Library of Congress
- Photo in front of the Capitol Building



**Dobbs Ferry Middle School
Touring Washington, D.C. May 2014**

Our Itinerary:

Tour of the Monuments & Memorials



Our Itinerary

- Arlington National Cemetery
- Wreath Laying at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier



Chaperones & Supervision

- Chaperone to student ratio: Approximately 1:10
- Supervision: Tour with students & regular check-ins
- Medication disbursement
- Discipline & Support: Students are expected to follow the school's Code of Conduct.
- Chaperones will act accordingly to ensure the safety and well-being of all students.





Travel Agency: Explorica

Check out their website at Explorica.com

They offer:

- Online Registration
- Online Payment Program
- Trip Cancellation Protection option
- Knowledgeable tour guides who are also safety experts
- 24/7 emergency support
- Tour Diary to see what we do each day
- Medical Insurance for Accident and Illness
- All restaurant gratuities and hotel taxes are included.

Trip Cost:

Tour cost is \$504.
Registration deadline
is Wed., Nov. 27.

**After the registration
deadline, the cost of the
tour will go up to \$574!**

Register ASAP to lock in
at the lower rate.

Cost includes:

- Roundtrip bus transportation
- Two nights of hotel accommodations
- 2 breakfasts and 2 dinners
- Tour guides
- Private security
- Hotel and restaurant gratuities
- Admission to all attractions

Payment/ Financial Information

Explorica Online Payment Program

- Allows you to pay online. Go to Explorica.com to register.
- Families can pay all at once **OR** break payments into 5 monthly payments of \$90.80, after an initial payment of \$50
- **NOTE:** The cost of the trip is currently \$504. You will need to use **Voucher Code [Back2School](#) to receive a \$70 credit** that will put you at this price.
- Student fund-raising options: Click here for more information: [Student Fundraising Options](#)
- Explorica offers some financial assistance for families that qualify: Click here for more information: [Explorica Advantages](#)

Important Dates



- **November 15:** Registration deadline & deposit due for families NOT using online registration.
- **November 27:** Online Registration form and first deposit of \$50 due to lock in at \$504. **Remember to use Voucher Code Back2School to get this price!**
- **December through April:** Monthly payments 1-5 due (if using payment plan)
- **Friday, May 15th:** All completed medical forms with proper physician authorization are due to Mrs. Ducic
- **Thursday, May 21st:** All student medications are delivered to school nurse for DC trip
- **June 3 -June 5, 2020:** Trip to Washington, DC!

Updated trip information will be posted on our DFMS website. Please check in regularly for updates!

Medical Forms and Information:

Click on the hyperlinks (right) for the necessary medical forms.

- **ALL students** must complete the [HEALTH HISTORY MEDICAL RELEASE](#) form prior to attending the trip.
- Additional medical forms are required if students have the following conditions:
 - [Allergies/Anaphylaxis](#)
 - [Asthma](#)
 - [Other conditions that require medication](#)
- The three additional medical forms above must be completed by a medical practitioner. Please have these forms filled out and returned to Mrs. Ducic as soon as possible.
- All medical information is kept strictly confidential.

Medications:

Prescription & Over the Counter medications

- **Over the Counter medications** require the [Medication Administration](#) form to be filled out.
- **Prescription medications** also require the [Medication Administration](#) form to be filled out.
- Medications for [Allergies/Anaphylaxis](#) and [Asthma](#) require additional forms to be filled out.
- All medications must be **delivered directly** to the School Nurse by a parent or guardian by **Thursday, May 21**.
- All medications **MUST** be clearly labeled with student's full name, in the original package/bottle, with appropriate dosage and administration time(s) clearly labeled.
- IMPORTANT: Students **may not*** carry medications or self-administer. Chaperones will carry all medications. (*exception for EpiPens)

Field Trip Behavior Policy

When a student receives 3 disciplinary referrals, the student will be placed on trip probation and provided with a behavioral support plan.

Every student placed on probation has the opportunity to be taken off by adhering to the Code of Conduct.

Grade level teams will meet monthly to discuss each student's progress towards behavioral goals and possible removal from probation.

Academic Trip Probation

Students failing two or more courses will be placed on trip probation.

Students who remain on probation for academic and/or behavioral reasons will be prohibited from attending the DC trip.

*It should be noted that when an offense is deemed egregious by school administration, the consequence for such an offense will be determined solely at the discretion of the administrators.

So, what are the next steps?

Online Registration...

If you plan on having your child attend, you can log into to Explorica.com and create an online account. The TourCenter ID# is **Ducic-2553**. **A \$50 registration fee will be charged to secure your child's place on the tour.**

NOTE: The cost of the trip is currently \$504. You will need to use Voucher Code Back2School to receive a \$70 credit that will put you at this price.

Also, you must be officially registered on, or before, Wednesday, November 27 to lock in at this price. After this date, the price goes up to \$574.

Online Registration Forms...2 important things to know!

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travel. learn.

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Home > My Account > My Tours > Washington, DC Tour Center[™] > Sign Up

Washington, DC Sign-up Application

Contact ---- Insurance ---- Customizations ---- **Payment** ---- Confirmation

ADDITIONAL EXCURSIONS
There are no additional excursions available.

ROOMING

- ☒ **Quad**
Save money by sharing a room with 2-3 other students of your own gender. This option provides a clean, modern room equipped with an ensuite bathroom.
- ☐ **Twin (\$45.00 per night)**
For a small additional price, you can share a room with just one other student of your own gender or a family member. This option provides a clean, modern room equipped with an ensuite bathroom.

Back > **Select the Quad option!** Next >

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PAYMENT PLAN
Most Convenient

- ☐ **Pay in full**
Pay total fee of \$504.00 now.
- ☒ **Monthly automated plan (checking account)**
Pay \$50.00 for Deposit now.
Authorize 5 monthly withdrawal(s) of \$90.80 with the final withdrawal on Apr 5, 2020 to pay balance of \$454.00.
Full payment schedule available during Confirmation step.
Choose this option for the lowest monthly payments!
- ☐ **Monthly automated plan (credit card)**
Pay \$50.00 for Deposit now.
Authorize 4 monthly charge(s) of \$91.00 and a final monthly charge of \$90.00 on Apr 5, 2020 to pay balance of \$454.00.
Full payment schedule available during Confirmation step.
show other plans

PAYMENT TIPS
No charges will be made until you have completed the sign up process. **How do I pay with my checking account?** All you need is your checkbook to find your account information. The image below will assist you in finding what is required.

TOUR COST BREAKDOWN

On-Tour Tipping	\$17.00
Tour Fee	\$557.00
Back2School	\$-70.00
	\$504.00

PAYMENT METHOD

Type in the Voucher Code **Back2School** to receive \$70 off, which puts you at the advertised tour price of \$504.

Alternative registration options...

If you wish to register, but you don't want to create an online account, please print out and fill in the [Bus Travel Registration Form](#), by **November 15th***, and bring in a check for \$50 written out to **Explorica**. The \$50 will secure your child's place on the trip. Another \$50 will be due in December. The balance of the tuition will be due 60 days before the trip, in April.

The Tour Center ID is **Ducic-2553**.

If you prefer to pay with cash, please contact Mrs. Ducic at ducicc@dfsd.org.

*The earlier due date is to ensure that Explorica will receive payment and be able to process the registration forms before the 11/27 registration deadline.

Questions?

Please contact Mrs. Ducic if you have any questions about registration, payments, financial aid, or other trip information.

Contact information is ducicc@dfsd.org

We're going to have an amazing trip!!

