# RMS 8TH GRADE WASHINGTON DC TRIP

## Guidelines



### **BIG IDEAS**

- We are going to Washington to LEARN and HAVE FUN!
- We represent ourselves and our school.
- We will show RESPECT for each other and the adults that we interact with.

### DO'S

- Pack one suitcase, one carry-on bag, and one pillow/sleeping bag (optional)
- Pack personal hygiene items, like deodorant, shampoo/shower gel, toothbrush, toothpaste, and hair care products
- Pack layers (hoodie, light rain jacket, etc.) to respond to the weather
- Bring a camera or phone to take pictures
- Bring a little spending money to get souvenirs
- Wear comfortable shoes for LOTS of walking
- Bring G or PG-rated movies to watch on the bus ride
- Pay attention to time and arrive at meet-up locations at the designated time
- Behave appropriately for each location (bus, memorials, museums, cemetery)
- Complete the text-message-based activities at each stage of the trip
- Snacks in resealable containers.

### DON'TS

- Bring drinks on the bus that cannot be resealed.
- Bring laptop computers or console video game systems
- Forget to pack chargers for electronics
- Bring clothes that violate WCPSS dress code
- Wear headphones/earbuds when off the bus, or when adults are speaking to you
- Run around or talk loudly in locations that require solemn and respectful behavior, like Arlington National Cemetery
- Let yourself get bored. Look at the sights around you and find interesting things to remember, photograph, and/or write about
- Whine or complain.

