PORTSMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

Washington DC Trip Overview

- **Luggage check-In**: Thursday, April 14
  6:00pm – 7:30pm

- **Departure** : Friday April 14
  Report at PHS: 7:00am

- **Return Home**:
  Monday night, April 16, approx. 8:00pm

What To Pack:

- Trip T-Shirt
- Clothes that will be warm enough for the itinerary.
- Comfortable shoes – no flip flops. There is a lot of walking in this trip.
- Ladies may want to minimize their bags. Keep in mind that there will be separate check-ins in the museums and tours that we will do.

What To Pack:

- Dress appropriately. You are not only representing Portsmouth High School, but the state of Rhode Island.
- You may bring a small carry-on bag. Keep in mind that there is not a lot of room. Be smart about not over packing.
- BLACK socks for parade.
- You need to pack your shoes in YOUR SUITCASE not the uniform garment bag!

What NOT To Pack:

- No Large coolers. We want to keep the isles free during the trip
- T-Shirts with inappropriate language or advertisements.
- No pocket knives (for our boy scouts).
- Anything that is going to get you in trouble. Use common sense.

Instruments:

- All instruments with the exception of flutes & clarinets will be stored under the bus in the storage compartments.
- Flutes & Clarinets should bring their instruments on bus or pack in suitcase.
- All instruments will have a PHS School ID tag.
- **Students will be responsible for taking their instrument out of band room and placing it under the bus Friday morning.**

Luggage

- Everyone is permitted one medium size suitcase and one small carry-on travel bag.
- Suitcase must have an external name identification tag on it.

Luggage

- Your suitcase will be transported in the lower compartment of the bus and WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO YOU DURING TRAVEL. Keep any items you will need during the bus ride in your carry-on bag.
- Flutes & Clarinets may be placed with student on bus or in suitcase.

Luggage Check-In

- Students or family member will check-in luggage on Thursday evening from 6:00 – 7:30pm
- All suitcases will be tagged and placed by bus number.
- Students will also receive their trip shirts.

Food

- All food expenses are paid EXCEPT: *Lunches throughout the trip(Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon)*. All breakfasts and dinners are <u>included.</u> Please look over the itinerary for the lunch locations & times

- Students may want to bring snack food for the ride up on Friday morning as we are leaving early and are not having a full stop for breakfast on the way.

Money

- As stated before, students will be required to purchase their own lunch.
- All other fees are included during the trip.
- Students may want to bring money for snacks & treats.
- Do not forget to purchase “souvenirs” or “gifts” for your family members that supported you for this trip!

Friday Morning

7:00 am

- Students upon reporting to band room should go immediately to band room and bring instrument outside and place in designated area on side of bus.
- Work crew / chaperones will load buses outside of door 24.
- All other students will meet in auditorium for attendance.

8:00 am

- Depart PHS for Washington DC

Itinerary

Friday

- Arrive in Union Station for dinner.
- Visit the outside of the Capitol building before returning to hotel
- Arrive at the Washington Suites Hotel

Itinerary

Saturday

- March in the 104th Anniversary Parade of the National Cherry Blossom Festival.
- Lunch at Air & Space Museum
- Panoramic photo in front of the US Capitol in Uniform
- Visit the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial
- Dinner at the Great American Buffet Restaurant

Itinerary

Saturday

- After dinner, visit the following:

  Illuminated Monument Tour:
  The Lincoln Memorial
  The Vietnam Veteran's Memorial
  The Korean War Memorial
  The World War II Memorial

Itinerary

Sunday

- Visit the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History
- Lunch at the American History Museum
- Visit North Portico of White House for pictures
- Visit Iwo Jima memorial
- Arlington National Cemetery Tour / Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
- Potomac River Dinner Cruise aboard the *Spirit of Washington*

Itinerary

Sunday

Spirit of Washington

Itinerary

Monday

- Return to Portsmouth
- Leave Washington DC at 9:00am
- Estimated return to PHS: 8:00pm
- Enjoy the rest of your vacation!

Code of Conduct

- There will be no smoking at any time. Students found smoking will face immediate disciplinary action during the trip and upon return to PHS.

- There will be absolutely no drinking of alcohol beverages or drug use at any time. Drinking or drug use will result in that student's parents being contacted and immediate disciplinary action upon return to PHS.

Code of Conduct

- Please do not take any "souvenirs" from your room. The hotel will contact the school with a list of expenses from each room. Students in the room will cover these costs and face disciplinary action. Occupants will be billed for any damages in their rooms.

- If there is any damage to property, during the trip, the parents and/or students will assume full financial responsibility. Damage to any hotel room may be assessed equally among those students assigned to the room.

Thank You
For Your Continued Support!!!