

Washington D.C.

Class Trip · May 31 – June 3, 2026

UPTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Travelers	103
Hotel	Bethesda Marriott
Outbound	Southwest Air WN3258 · MDW → DCA · 5:45 AM
Return	Southwest Air WN1784 · DCA → MDW · 9:35 PM
Program Leader	Jason Catania · 269-426-0053
24/7 Emergency	WorldAssist by WorldStrides · 800-999-4542
Trip ID	221199-HD

DAY 1

Sunday, May 31

Arrival & Holocaust Museum

- Assemble at Upton Middle School (800 Maiden Lane, Saint Joseph MI) by 2:30 AM

- Coach departs 2:45 AM for airport

05:45	FLIGHT	Depart Chicago Midway (MDW) Southwest Air WN3258 → Reagan National (DCA). Arrives 8:35 AM. Chicago Midway Airport, Chicago, IL
08:35	TRANSPORT	Arrive Reagan National Airport Meet Course Leaders at baggage claim area. Reagan National Airport, Arlington, VA
08:40	TRANSPORT	Coach departs Reagan National Bags on bus (BOB/QUK) from Upton Middle School. Reagan National Airport, Arlington, VA
10:30	MUSEUM	US Holocaust Memorial Museum Individual tickets. Enter through the 14th Street entrance. Arrive 15 minutes early to clear security. 100 Raoul Wallenberg Place SW, Washington, DC 20024 · ■ (202) 488-0400 · Conf #448348828 · Group size: 103 ■ <i>Arrive 15 min early. Please enter at 15th Street entrance for groups.</i>
10:30	MEAL	Pentagon City Mall (Lunch) Meal vouchers. Available vendors subject to change. Please avoid congregating in front of doors and retail establishments. 1100 South Hayes Street, Arlington, VA 22202 · ■ 703-415-2130
—	MUSEUM	National Museum of Natural History Free admission. Part of afternoon National Mall exploration. 10th St & Constitution Ave NW, Washington, DC 20560 · ■ (202) 633-1000
—	MUSEUM	National Museum of American History Free admission. Part of afternoon National Mall exploration. 1300 Constitution Ave NW, Washington, DC 20560 · ■ (202) 633-1000
—	MEMORIAL	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. National Memorial Free. Open 24 hours. Part of afternoon National Mall exploration. 1964 Independence Ave SW, Washington, DC 20004 · ■ (202) 426-6841

19:00	MEAL Dinner — Madhatter Taco Buffet. 1319 Connecticut Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20036 · ■ (202) 833-1495
20:00	TRANSPORT Course Leaders dismissed at Metrorail Course leaders dismissed. Washington, DC Metro
20:30	TRANSPORT Coach drop at hotel Check in to Bethesda Marriott. 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814 · ■ 301-897-9400

DAY 2

Monday, June 1

Ford's Theatre, Arlington & Monuments

07:00	TRANSPORT	Coach departs hotel Depart Bethesda Marriott. 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814
08:15	MEAL	Breakfast — Hard Rock Cafe Course Leader meets group at breakfast. 999 E Street NW, Washington, DC 20004 · ■ (202) 737-7625 · Conf #52655871
09:00	LANDMARK	Ford's Theatre Tickets must be picked up at will call. Provide Confirmation # at box office. Do NOT scan tickets in this building — it will invalidate them. 511 10th Street NW, Washington, DC 20004 · ■ (202) 347-4833 · Conf #Pending — 103 ppl ■ <i>Do NOT scan tickets in the building. Mon–Fri 9am–4:30pm WorldStrides DC Field Office can provide extra vouchers: 202-886-0216</i>
—	ACTIVITY	Souvenir Shopping Free time for souvenir shopping in DC. Washington, DC
—	LANDMARK	White House (picture stop) Photo stop at the White House. 1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20500
—	MEMORIAL	World War II Memorial Free. Open 24 hours. 1750 Independence Ave SW, Washington, DC 20024 · ■ (202) 426-6841
12:30	MEAL	Lunch — Reagan International Trade Center Food Court Meal vouchers. Enter on 14th Street (Ground Level). Management asks groups not to congregate in the atrium. 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20004 · ■ (202) 312-1300 ■ <i>Enter on 14th St (Ground Level). Do not congregate in atrium.</i>
15:15	MEMORIAL	Arlington National Cemetery — Changing of the Guard Guests 18 and older may be asked to provide valid photo ID. Please leave all bags on the coach to expedite security clearance. Arlington, VA · ■ (877) 907-8585 ■ <i>Leave all bags on the coach. Guests 18+ need valid photo ID.</i>

15:15	MEMORIAL	<p>Wreath Laying Appointment — Arlington National Cemetery</p> <p>Appointment arranged by Program Leader. Proper dress code required. Wreath delivered to ANC by Virginia Florists.</p> <p>Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA · ■ (703) 765-3355 · Conf #Pending — 103 ppl</p> <p>■ <i>Proper dress code required.</i></p>
—	MUSEUM	<p>National Portrait Gallery</p> <p>Free admission. Smithsonian American Art Museum also accessible from same building.</p> <p>8th St NW & G St NW, Washington, DC 20001 · ■ (202) 633-8300</p>
19:00	MEAL	<p>Dinner — Nighthawk Pizza</p> <p>Group leader please connect with management on arrival to review dietary.</p> <p>1201 Joyce St, Arlington, VA 22202 · ■ (571) 416-8100</p>
19:00	TRANSPORT	<p>Course Leaders dismissed at Metrorail</p> <p>Washington, DC Metro</p>
20:30	TRANSPORT	<p>Coach drop at hotel</p> <p>5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814</p>

DAY 3

Tuesday, June 2

Gettysburg Day Trip & Veterans Memorials

■ Early start — hotel breakfast 6:00 AM, coach departs 6:45 AM

■ Backpacks MUST remain on bus during Gettysburg battlefield tour

06:00	MEAL	Hotel Breakfast Breakfast at Bethesda Marriott before departure. 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814
06:45	TRANSPORT	Coach departs for Gettysburg, PA Full day trip to Gettysburg. Approximately 2-hour drive. 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814
08:45	MUSEUM	Gettysburg Visitor Center — Film Cyclorama & Museum Check in at the Group Window near the Bus Loop at the Gettysburg National Military Park & Visitor Center. Must arrive 15 minutes before confirmed appointment time. 1195 Baltimore Pike, Gettysburg, PA 17325 · ■ (717) 334-2436 · Conf #2572828 · Group size: 125 ■ <i>Check in at Group Window near Bus Loop. Arrive 15 min before appointment.</i>
10:00	ACTIVITY	Gettysburg Battlefield Tour Guided bus tour of the battlefield. BACKPACKS MUST REMAIN ON BUS (3 buses). 1195 Baltimore Pike, Gettysburg, PA 17325 · ■ (717) 334-2436 · Conf #2572828 ■ <i>BACKPACKS MUST REMAIN ON BUS.</i>
12:30	MEAL	Lunch — Outlet Shoppes at Gettysburg Voucher meal. Driver and Course Leader check in as guest services. Weekday: group leader checks in with customer service office. Weekend: group leader checks in with uniformed food court worker on site. 1863 Gettysburg Village Drive, Gettysburg, PA 17325 · ■ (717) 337-9705 x103
13:30	TRANSPORT	Coach departs for Washington DC Return drive to Washington DC, approximately 90 min. Gettysburg, PA
15:00	TRANSPORT	Meet Course Leaders — Old Post Office Meet Course Leaders at Old Post Office (Pennsylvania Avenue Side). 1100 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20004

15:30	MUSEUM	National Archives Museum Must show tickets for entry. The time on the ticket is the time you should be in the Rotunda. Arrive at least 15 minutes before your timed appointment to get through security. Constitution Ave NW between 7th and 9th Streets, Washington, DC 20408 · ■ (866) 272-6272 · Conf #Pending — 103 ppl ■ Must show tickets. Arrive 15 min early for security. Your ticket time = Rotunda entry time.
—	MEMORIAL	Lincoln Memorial Free. Open 24 hours. 2 Lincoln Memorial Cir NW, Washington, DC 20002 · ■ (202) 426-6841
—	MEMORIAL	Korean War Veterans Memorial Free. Open 24 hours. 99 Daniel French Dr SW, Washington, DC 20024 · ■ (202) 426-6841
—	MEMORIAL	Vietnam Veterans Memorial Free. Open 24 hours. 5 Henry Bacon Dr NW, Washington, DC 20002 · ■ (202) 426-6841
17:30	MEAL	Dinner — Ballston Quarter Market Hall Groups must be on time and must enter from Wilson Blvd. This is 100 feet from intersection of N Stuart St and Wilson Blvd. Group leader must check in on arrival at security office (double white doors next to Bollywood Bistro). If running late call 571-400-1201. 4238 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22203 · ■ (703) 243-6470 ■ Enter from Wilson Blvd only. Check in at double white doors next to Bollywood Bistro. Late? Call 571-400-1201.
—	MEMORIAL	September 11th Pentagon Memorial Free. Open 24 hours. 1 N Rotary Rd, Arlington, VA 22202 · ■ (703) 996-9853
—	MEMORIAL	Iwo Jima Marine Memorial — US Air Force Memorial Free. US Marine Corps War Memorial (Iwo Jima) and US Air Force Memorial. Arlington, VA 22209 · ■ (703) 289-2500
20:00	TRANSPORT	Course Leaders dismissed at Metrorail Washington, DC Metro
20:30	TRANSPORT	Coach drop at hotel 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814

DAY 4

Wednesday, June 3

Mount Vernon, Capitol Hill & Departure

- Checkout day — bags on bus before departing hotel

- Flight departs Reagan National at 9:35 PM

06:30	MEAL	Hotel Breakfast Final breakfast at Bethesda Marriott. Bags on bus — checkout today. 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814
07:30	TRANSPORT	Coach departs hotel All bags must be on the bus. Hotel checkout. 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814
08:00	TRANSPORT	Meet Course Leaders — Huntington Ave Metrorail Meet at Huntington Avenue side — Exit 176A on I-95. Follow signs for Huntington Avenue. 2701 Huntington Avenue, Alexandria, VA (Huntington Avenue side)
08:30	LANDMARK	Mount Vernon — Home of George Washington Timed Mansion Tickets with Grounds Tour. Be on time — your entire group must be in line to enter the mansion at your scheduled tour time. Group may wait in line for up to 30 minutes. Check in at sales window immediately upon arrival then proceed to visitor's center for security check. \$20 meal allotment included. 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Hwy, Mt Vernon, VA 22121 · ■ (703) 780-2000 · Conf #5859317 — Mansion Tour 9:25/30/35a · Group size: 125 · \$20 meal allotment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <i>No backpacks or packages allowed. Be on time — group must be in line together at scheduled entry time.</i>
12:30	LANDMARK	US Capitol Hill Appointment — Group A PL arranged. Arrive 30 minutes in advance and present confirmation paperwork. US Capitol, Washington, DC 20004 · Conf #20260225143043 · Group size: 40 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <i>Arrive 30 min early with confirmation paperwork.</i>
12:50	LANDMARK	US Capitol Hill Appointment — Group B PL arranged. Arrive 30 minutes in advance and present confirmation paperwork. US Capitol, Washington, DC 20004 · Conf #202602251432020 · Group size: 30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <i>Arrive 30 min early with confirmation paperwork.</i>
—	LANDMARK	Library of Congress (picture stop) Photo stop. 101 Independence Ave SE, Washington, DC 20540 · ■ (202) 707-5000

—	<p>LANDMARK Supreme Court (picture stop) Photo stop. 1 First St NE, Washington, DC 20543</p>
—	<p>MEMORIAL American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial Free. 150 Washington Ave SW, Washington, DC 20024</p>
—	<p>MEMORIAL FDR Memorial — Jefferson Memorial Free. Open 24 hours. 400 West Basin Dr SW, Washington, DC 20002 · ■ (202) 426-6841</p>
—	<p>LANDMARK Kennedy Center — Hall of Nations, JFK Bust, Terrace View Sightseeing per Program Leader. 2700 F St NW, Washington, DC 20566 · ■ (800) 444-1324</p>
19:00	<p>TRANSPORT Coach drop at Reagan National Airport \$25 airport meal allotment included. Reagan National Airport, Arlington, VA · \$25 meal allotment</p>
21:35	<p>FLIGHT Depart Reagan National (DCA) Southwest Air WN1784 → Chicago Midway. Arrives 10:35 PM. Parents: plan to meet returning students at Upton Middle School approximately 1:45 AM Thursday, June 4. Reagan National Airport, Arlington, VA</p>

REFERENCE

Packing & Contacts

Packing List

- Comfortable walking shoes (*required*)
- Rain apparel (*required*)
- Government-issued photo ID (ages 18+) (*required*)
- Prescription medications in carry-on (*required*)
- Liquids ≤ 3 oz in clear quart-sized zip-top bag (TSA) (*required*)
- Cash for any personal expenses
- Face mask (optional)
- Contact lenses / glasses

Do Not Bring

- ✗ Valuables and electronics (WorldStrides assumes no responsibility for lost or stolen items)
- ✗ Backpacks on the Gettysburg battlefield bus
- ✗ Backpacks or packages inside Mount Vernon mansion

Key Contacts

Name	Role	Phone
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