



**2019 National Treasures Tour**  
 Philadelphia - Gettysburg - Washington D.C.  
 June 12 - 18, 2019

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

We are offering 8<sup>th</sup> grade students of the La Porte area middle schools the opportunity to participate in an outstanding five-day/six-night tour of Washington D.C., along with a special excursion to Philadelphia and Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, from June 12-18, 2019. The tour will depart the evening of June 12th and return the morning of June 18th. Your child will have the unique opportunity to experience the nation’s capital, a virtual “living classroom,” with fellow classmates and teachers. They will experience government in action and visit some of the most historic treasures of our country. A list of sites and special features of this tour is presented on the next page.

The tour has been prepared for us by Hoosier Travel, a fully insured travel agency specializing in student group travel to Washington D.C., with over 20 years of experience.

The base price of the tour is \$1,150.00. Students will be housed in QUAD OCCUPANCY and adults in DOUBLE OCCUPANCY. Trip cost for paying adults is \$1,270.00 if two paying adults participate. Surcharges may be applied depending on number of participants paid four weeks prior to departure. Details on this policy can be found in the General Information section. Please read the General Information and Policy and Procedures carefully. These pages can be found at [gohoosiertravel.com/tour-terms-and-conditions](http://gohoosiertravel.com/tour-terms-and-conditions).

**Standard features of this all-inclusive tour are:**

- Roundtrip Transportation Aboard Premium Climate-Controlled, Restroom-and Video-Equipped Bus (es)
- Meals Beginning with breakfast on Day 1 through Dinner on Day 5
- Adult Chaperone for Every 15-17 students
- Hotel Security
- Excellent Hotel (4 nights)
- Complete Lectured Sightseeing
- HT Staff/24 Hour Service
- All Taxes, Tips/Insurance Coverage Included
- All Admission Fees Included

To register your child for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, please return the following to the applicable tour moderator (Mr. Samuelson or Mrs. DeWolf) at school no later than Thursday, October 18, 2018:

1. Trip Application fully completed and signed by Student and Parent (see last page)
2. Initial Non-Refundable Deposit (\$219.00 for Student, \$290.00 for Adult) by check (payable to Hoosier Travel) or Visa/MasterCard/Discover (see Trip Application for details) Please note there is a 3% **fee added** on to each payment paid by credit card

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

<u>Payment #</u>	<u>Payment Due Dates</u>	<u>Student Amount Due</u>	<u>Adult Amount Due</u>
Down payment	Thursday, 10/18/18	\$219.00	\$290.00
1	Thursday, 11/8/18	\$133.00	\$140.00
2	Thursday, 12/6/18	\$133.00	\$140.00
3	Thursday, 1/3/19	\$133.00	\$140.00
4	Thursday, 2/7/19	\$133.00	\$140.00
5	Thursday, 3/7/19	\$133.00	\$140.00
6	Monday, 4/8/19	\$133.00	\$140.00
7	Thursday, 5/2/19	\$133.00	\$140.00

A Statement will be given to each student at the final trip meeting. Statements will be available for viewing online after the initial payment has been deposited and cleared. You will be sent a link via email with your invoice and record of initial payment.

NOTE: As a limited amount of bus and hotel space has been reserved, applications will be accepted on a first come-first served basis. Students may be confirmed before parents/guardians depending on the initial sign up numbers.

Finally, this is not a school-sponsored event and the schools are not connected with this tour and do not assume any liability concerning this tour. Hoosier Travel operates the tour. Since this tour is not school-sponsored, the right to refuse a student’s application in the best interest of the tour is reserved. We also reserve the right to review your student’s behavioral record at school.

If you have any questions, please contact us. [gohoosiertravel@gmail.com](mailto:gohoosiertravel@gmail.com)

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# NATIONAL TREASURES TOUR SIGHTSEEING

Sightseeing is prepared from the list of sites indicated below. The sites included depend on specific appointments and optional excursions requested by the group as well as the time of year and days of the week the tour is planned.

## WASHINGTON, D.C.

- Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial
- United States Capitol Building
- United States Supreme Court
- The Library of Congress
- Iwo Jima Marine Memorial
- Smithsonian Institution
  - Air and Space Museum
  - Natural History Museum
- The National Archives
- Union Station
- National Zoo–Panda Exhibit
- Embassy Row
- Korean War Memorial
- Thomas Jefferson Memorial
- World War II Memorial
- United States Holocaust Museum (permanent exhibit by appointment only)
- Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
- The White House
- Mount Vernon–George Washington’s estate
- Ford’s Theatre and Petersen House
- Kennedy Center
- Old Town Alexandria, Virginia
- Arlington National Cemetery
  - Guard Changes-Tomb of the Unknowns
  - Wreath Laying (by appointment only)
  - Challenger Memorial
  - Kennedy Gravesites
- Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial
- National Cathedral (by appointment only)
- Vietnam Veterans’ Memorial
- Abraham Lincoln Memorial
- Washington Monument (by appointment only)
- Newseum

## PHILADELPHIA

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|---|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| • Independence National Historical Park | Liberty Bell                 | Benjamin Franklin Memorial |
| • Christ Church                         | Betsy Ross House             | Elfreth’s Alley            |
| • Independence Hall                     | National Constitution Center |                            |

## GETTYSBURG

- Gettysburg Museum Including the Cyclorama and Film at Museum
- Battlefield Tour on the Bus with Guides (up to two hours)

## ADDITIONAL TOUR FEATURES

- Create-A-Video (DVD)
- Color Group Photo
- National Treasures Tour T-Shirt (*please make sure to include your size on the registration page*)
- Wreath Laying Ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery (*if confirmed*)
- Washington National Cathedral (*if confirmed*)
- White House, Capitol or Pentagon Tour (*if confirmed*)  
(*Social Security number may be required for White House tour*)

# REQUIRED MEETINGS FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

**Meeting #1** Informational meeting for **all** interested students and at least **one** parent/guardian of each student. (Parents/Guardians are asked to sit with your child)  
**7:00 p.m. – October 1<sup>st</sup> 2018, or October 10<sup>th</sup> 2018**  
**The Auditorium at Kesling Middle School, 306 East 18<sup>th</sup> Street, La Porte, IN 46350**

**Meeting #2** Final pre-trip meeting for **all** students who have sent in deposits and at least **one parent/guardian** of each participant

To Sign Up for the  
**2019 National Treasures Tour**

Go to our website, [gohoosiertravel.com](http://gohoosiertravel.com)

Click on [2019 Tour Information](#)

Click on the [Hoosier Travel Portal Page](#)

Click on [School Group Tours](#)

Enter the Code **LPDC2019**

Begin the Registration Process

*Be sure to save your username and password. You will come back to the portal to update information as the tour draws nearer, to make view your invoice balance and to pay via credit card.*

TOUR CODE

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