

WASHINGTON DC NEWS

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Dear Parents,

It is time to start preparations for our trip to Washington DC May 18-22, 2020. . It is an amazing opportunity for our students. It brings the content we learn all year to life... I want to take a few minutes to go over the cost and payment plan of this trip.

I am estimating the trip to cost students \$400.00; the final amount will be unknown until all reservations and final count of travelers has been determined. This estimation is with 75-82 travelers. However, this class is small, and if we do not have enough students to warrant a need for two buses we will only reserve one. If that happens NO PARENTS WILL BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND THE TRIP. My goal is to keep the cost as low as possible. Each bus seat costs a passenger \$130, so the more empty seats we have the more cost to each person going. Fundraisers will be offered throughout the year to help offset the individual cost as well as the ENTIRE cost of our class trip. I do not want financial situations to restrict any student from attending, therefore please take advantage of the fundraising opportunities.

We need a student count THIS YEAR to begin preparations. So to sign up for the trip, here are your options, please mark which plan suits your student and return it with your deposit to High School office by the last day of school 5/30/19. Make all checks payable to New London Schools.

Student Name: _____

_____ I have included my entire non-refundable \$50 deposit for my student. (By 5/30/19)

_____ I have included my \$25 non-refundable deposit and will send in the remaining \$25 by 9/27/19 for my student. (First \$25 by 5/30/19)

_____ My child does not plan to attend the DC trip.

Please understand, the number of students signed up by the last day of school will determine how many buses will be taken next year. IF parents do attend their non-refundable deposits will be collected at the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year, and will be a first come first serve basis. The parent trip will cost \$500. There will be a payment plan sent home on the first day of school.

If your student decides not to attend after the initial deposit has been made you will not be reimbursed the non-refundable \$50.00 or any money that has already been spent on tickets, hotel, bus or any other trip accommodation. **YOU** are responsible for YOUR portion of YOUR reserved trip. Please understand you may not be reimbursed the full amount you have paid up to date of cancellation. In some cases you may owe a balance for what has already been purchased. After your financial responsibilities have been taken care of, you will be reimbursed any overpayment.

This trip depends on responsible respectful decisions by all students to be successful, therefore, behavior will be watched throughout the year. **School administration and the 8th grade team will have all power to deny participation on the trip for any rule infraction or disrespectful behavior throughout the entire school year.** I am positive we should have no problems but want to make you aware this trip can be denied if your child chooses not to obey school rules or respect their teachers or classmates and **you will still be held accountable for all trip fees.** Therefore it is imperative that your child chooses to make good choices all year. School trips are a privilege not an entitlement.

If you have any questions please feel free to email me at bhudberg@newlondon.k12.oh.us or call the school at 419-929-1586. I cannot wait to travel with your eighth grader!!

Mrs. Hudberg