



# HINGHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL

## WASHINGTON, D.C. AND PHILADELPHIA

### AN AMERICAN JOURNEY



Dear Parent,

Your student has the opportunity to take a fun and educational trip to Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia with his/her classmates this year. We will be leading the group along with other adults as needed along the path that follows the growth and development of our nation. We walk in the first steps of our forefathers in Philadelphia, honor those who sacrificed themselves at Gettysburg and are memorialized at Arlington, and see civics in action in Washington, D.C. We will celebrate the end of the eighth-grade year as a middle school community and reflect on our own growth as we look ahead to high school.

The trip is scheduled from **June 3<sup>rd</sup> – June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019**. We are using the professional travel company Grand Classroom to plan every aspect of the trip. Visit the school trip webpage at [www.grandclassroom.com](http://www.grandclassroom.com), click "Find My Trip / Register" and search "Hingham Middle School" and click the link for the Washington, D.C. Adventure.

For the student price of **\$1,049** everything on the trip will be covered – all transportation, hotel accommodations, meals, sightseeing and evening activities as well as medical insurance. Grand Classroom's individualized accounting services will let you set up a budget plan that works for your family.

The best way to register is online at [www.grandclassroom.com](http://www.grandclassroom.com).

If you have any questions, you can call the professionals at Grand Classroom at 434-975-2629, email us anytime at [mcculloch@hinghamschools.org](mailto:mcculloch@hinghamschools.org) or [mhuntington@hinghamschools.org](mailto:mhuntington@hinghamschools.org) or call us at school at 781-741-1550. We look forward to providing a fun and educational adventure that your child will remember for a lifetime!

Mark McCulloch  
Mark Huntington  
Class Advisors - Trip Leaders



#### Just the Facts

**Who:** Hingham Middle School

**What:** Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia Trip

**When:** June 3<sup>rd</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**All-Inclusive Price:** \$1,049

**Registration Deadline:** Dec 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

**\$99 registration fee secures your spot**



#### Day One

- Depart from Hingham by coach for D.C. arrival by early afternoon
- Meet Grand Classroom guides
- Overview of "American Journey" tour themes and goals
- White House photo stop
- Dinner in groups
- Visit to Pentagon 9/11 Memorial
- Guided Monuments by night tour – Lincoln, Jefferson, MLK, FDR, Korean, Vietnam and more
- Check into hotel

#### Day Two

- Hotel breakfast
- Mount Vernon Mansion guided tour
- Visit Arlington National Cemetery: Changing of the Guard. Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Challenger Memorial & Kennedy Gravesites
- Visit to Capitol Hill for docent-led tour of U.S. Capitol
- Supreme Court visit, Library of Congress
- Potomac Dinner and Dance Cruise
- Return to hotel

#### Sample Itinerary

#### Day Three

- Hotel breakfast and check out of hotel
- Group photo at U.S. Capitol
- Smithsonian Museum explorations – break-out groups according to student interests and curriculum connections
- Travel to Gettysburg National Military Park for guided tour of the battlefield
- Dinner allotment in Gettysburg
- Evening drive towards Philadelphia
- Check into hotel

#### Day Four

- Hotel breakfast
- Morning tour at Valley Forge
- Travel to Philadelphia
- See Independence Hall and view the Liberty Bell
- Lunch at Reading Terminal
- Explore the National Constitution Center
- Depart for home with dinner en route
- Late evening arrival back at Hingham Middle School