

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The eighth grade students of **Cass Junior High School** have the opportunity to participate in an outstanding three-day/two-night tour of **Washington, D.C.**, from **February 16-18, 2007**. Your student will have the unique opportunity to experience the nation's capital, a virtual "living classroom," with fellow classmates and teachers. They'll experience government in action and visit some of the country's most important historical treasures. A list of sites and special features of this tour is presented on the next page.

The tour has been prepared for us by **Educational Tours, Inc.**, a fully insured agency specializing in student group travel to Washington, D.C., with **38 years of experience**.

The price of the tour, based on 40-50 paid participants per bus is \$749.00. The price of the tour with REFUND GUARANTEE PROTECTION (RGP) is \$819.00. The RGP option provides the opportunity to cancel the tour at any time, for any reason, and receive a full refund less the cost of the protection. RGP must be purchased with the initial deposit. Please read the General Information page carefully.

Standard features of this all-inclusive tour are:

- Roundtrip Airport Transfers
- Flights on Scheduled Airlines
- Meals Beginning with Lunch on Day 1 through Dinner on Day 3
- Adult Chaperone for Every 12 Students
- Hotel Security
- Excellent Hotel (**quad occupancy**)
- Premium Sightseeing Bus(es)
- Complete Lectured Sightseeing
- ET Staff/24 Hour Service
- All Taxes, Tips/Insurance Coverage
- All Admissions

If you are interested in having your child participate in this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, please send a **\$220.00** deposit which includes **RGP**, or \$150.00 without **RGP**, by check (payable to **Educational Tours, Inc.**) or Visa/MasterCard/Discover along with the completed application form to **Educational Tours, Inc.** by **October 6, 2006**. A **2nd** payment of **\$250.00** is due by **Monday, November, 20, 2006**. A invoice will be sent for final payment. **NOTE: As a limited amount of air, bus and hotel space has been reserved, applications will be accepted on a first come basis.**

If you have any questions about the tour, please call **me** at **school (630/985-1900)**. You may also call **Educational Tours, Inc.**, 9:00AM to 5:00PM, CST, Monday through Friday, at **847/509-0088** or visit ET's website at **www.educationaltours.com**.

Mr. Paul Bleuher
Tour Moderator

Sightseeing in Washington 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. SITES

- Capitol Hill
 - U.S. Capitol Building
 - Supreme Court
 - Library of Congress
- Iwo Jima Marine Memorial
- Smithsonian Institution
 - Air and Space Museum
 - Natural History Museum
- National Archives
- Union Station
- National Zoo – Panda exhibit
- Embassy Row
- Korean War Memorial
- Jefferson Memorial
- World War II Memorial
- Bureau of Engraving and Printing (by appointment only)
- United States Holocaust Museum (Permanent exhibit by appointment only)
- White House
- Mount Vernon – George Washington’s estate
- Ford’s Theatre and Petersen House
- Kennedy Center
- Old Town Alexandria
- Arlington National Cemetery
 - Guard Change - Tomb of the Unknowns
 - Wreath Laying (by appointment only)
 - Challenger Memorial
 - Kennedy Gravesites
- FDR Memorial
- National Cathedral (by appointment only)
- Vietnam Veterans Memorial
- Lincoln Memorial
- Washington Monument (by appointment only)

SPECIAL FEATURES INCLUDED:

- **Dinner Theatre**
- **Panoramic Collector Group Photo**
- **Spy Museum**
- **Recreational Center** (*when available*)

** IMPORTANT WASHINGTON, D.C. TRIP MEETINGS **

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.**

Time/Date: **7:30 – 8:30 p.m., September 26, 2006**

Where: **Learning Center, Cass Jr. High School
8502 Bailey Road, Darien, IL 60561**

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

Time/Date/Place: Will be announced in the final payment letter

GENERAL INFORMATION

(KEEP TOP PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS)

1. The price of the **Washington Educational Tour** is subject to increase if **changes occur in fuel surcharges, taxes or less than 40 paid participants are on a sightseeing bus.** Per person bus surcharges are: 35-39 paid per bus is \$18.00, 30-34 paid per bus is \$49.00 and 25-29 paid per bus is \$89.00. **For less than 24 paid per bus, the surcharge will be provided.**
2. **Per person insurance coverage:** \$5,000 life, \$1,500 illness, \$5,000 accident and \$750 dental.
3. **Deposit and additional payments** are required by the dates indicated in the cover letter. **Personal and/or business checks will not be accepted 28 days or less prior to the tour.**
4. **Failure to completely pay for the tour by the deadline date may result in the participant being dropped from the tour. If space is still available after the deadline date, a \$50.00 late payment fee will be assessed.**
5. A service fee of **\$35.00** is assessed for NSF checks or **stop payment** checks.

CANCELLATION POLICY: ALL CANCELLATIONS MUST BE IN WRITING TO EDUCATIONAL TOURS, INC., P.O. BOX 828, NORTHBROOK, IL 60065-0828. The date of the postmark is the date used to determine the amount of the cancellation fee. Refunds take approximately 4-6 weeks and will be issued in the same form as payment was made.

* **Individual cancellations, for any reason, will be subject to the following fees to be retained by Educational Tours, Inc.:**

more than 60 days before the tour	\$100.00
from 59-31 days before the tour	50% of tour cost
from 30 days before the tour to date of departure	100% of tour cost

* **If the tour moderator or school cancels an individual or the tour, individual cancellation fees apply.**

* **If the tour moderator or school changes the tour date or destination, all monies received will be transferred to the new tour date/destination. Individual cancellations after the date/destination change will be subject to the same cancellation fees.**

* **If Educational Tours, Inc. changes the date/destination and you feel it necessary to cancel because of the change(s), a full refund will be provided as long as a letter is received postmarked no more than 14 days after the change is announced.**

REFUND GUARANTEE PROTECTION (RGP) – Guarantees a full refund of all monies paid, less the cost of this option and any NSF or late fees, should a tour participant need to cancel for any reason prior to departure. RGP is IN ADDITION to the cost of the tour and CANNOT be applied to the final tour cost. To purchase RGP, the \$70.00 NON-REFUNDABLE per person fee MUST be included with the deposit. By not purchasing RGP, the above stated cancellation policy applies with NO EXCEPTIONS.

RESPONSIBILITY: Educational Tours, Inc., is not responsible for any services or accommodations provided by third parties and disclaims any liability for personal injury, property damage, or other loss to the traveler unless such damage, injury or loss is caused by the willful and wanton negligence of Educational Tours, Inc. With respect to the student traveler, the student and his/her parent(s) or guardian assume full responsibility for any damages, injury, or losses that might occur during the tour except as stated above.

Please detach and return with your payment to:

Educational Tours, Inc. - P.O. Box 828 - Northbrook, IL 60065-0828

Student's Name (Please Print) _____

If the group is able to secure a White House, Capitol or Pentagon Tour, the following information will be sent to the applicable Security office.

Social Security #: _____ Birth-date: _____ Citizenship: _____

Address _____ Home Phone: (____) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

CASS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL (DARIEN, IL) - TOUR #10 (06/07 TS)

Parent/Guardian's Name _____ E-mail _____

Work Numbers: Father (____) _____ Mother (____) _____

You must check one:

I accept REFUND GUARANTEE PROTECTION (RGP) – \$220.00 deposit (includes \$70.00 for RGP)

I DO NOT accept REFUND GUARANTEE PROTECTION (RGP) – \$150.00 deposit

I permit my child to participate on the Washington Tour on February 16-18, 2007. I have read and agree to the above General Information including the Cancellation Policy, Responsibility, and Refund Guarantee Protection

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

UNSIGNED APPLICATION WILL BE RETURNED WITH DEPOSIT

If paying by credit card: Please charge my [] Visa, [] MasterCard *or* [] Discover account for \$ _____.

***Since an original signature is required, phone calls and faxes will NOT be accepted for credit card payments.**

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FILL OUT COMPLETELY. Registration will be processed only when credit card information is complete.

Participant Name _____ Street _____ Zip Code _____

Account Number _____ - _____ - _____ Expiration Date _____

Name as it appears on the card _____ Home Phone _____

Cardholder's Signature _____ Work Phone _____