

# ORANGEBURG PREPARATORY SCHOOLS, INC.

## SENIOR CLASS TRIP - 2020 SUGGESTIONS AND REMINDERS

Members of the **2020 Senior Class** who will travel as a group will be subject to OPS discipline in addition to the following special regulations for the senior trip on **March 9th through March 14<sup>th</sup>**.

1. All going and coming shall be as group action of the entire party. No small groups will be permitted to separate themselves and go on private outings at any time.
2. All students shall have proper respect for themselves, for one another, and for the chaperones.
3. The authority of chaperones shall be considered official and final.
4. **No consumption of any alcoholic beverages or use of drugs will be tolerated at any time. No tobacco products of any kind will be allowed at any time.** Parents will be notified and expected to come and get their student within twenty-four hours. **Laser pointers are not allowed on the trip.**
5. Parents of students who will use any medication must be sure to note such on the written permission slip/medical information form (attached and give to Mrs. Askins prior to departure). Information regarding special medical problems should be included in writing on back of medical form. Be sure to include directions of any apparatus used (i.e. epi-pen, inhalers, etc.).
6. Basic first aid supplies will be on each bus. (Band aids, cough drops, Dramamine, etc.)
7. Money: Each student is responsible for the security of her/his own money and possessions. It is urged that **credit cards, ATM cards, or cash be used.** (It is suggested that each student carry \$100.00 or more to cover the costs of meals, and to allow some spending money.) Take at least \$50.00 in small bills and some change (for drink machines in hotel).
8. Bring photo ID (passport or driver's license). You may not be admitted to some Federal Buildings without it.
9. Because precautions are vital to the safety of all, the following shall be established:
  - A. Curfews will be set by the chaperones. Chaperones will make room check at the time of curfew to ensure that all students are in their respective rooms.
  - B. Room checks may occur at any time. Students are **required** to open their doors to chaperones.
  - C. The partner or "buddy" system will be used. Each person must know the whereabouts of his/her partner at all times. Each is responsible to the other. **NEVER** go anywhere alone - **NOT EVEN** to the restroom!

- D. For the safety of your children, a security company has been hired for the night at each hotel, and rules that they deem necessary will be followed.
  - E. Other precautions as necessary to meet prevailing conditions may be imposed.
10. Proper dress shall be required throughout the trip.
- A. Casual attire (**no jeans**) will be permitted on the long bus trips and other allowed occasions. Appropriate lounge wear may be worn in the hotels.
  - B. Dress clothes for all public appointments.
    - 1. Girls - dresses, skirts and blouses, or nice pants outfits for special appointments at the Capitol, Kennedy Center, etc. (**No miniskirts or jeans**). Leggings may be worn with tops or dresses of appropriate length in accordance with OPS dress code. The chaperones reserve the right to designate the dress which is suitable for any occasion.
    - 2. Boys - dress pants/khakis, collared shirt, sweater for days other than special appointments at Capitol, Kennedy, etc. Coats and ties, dress shoes for all special appointments. **NO jeans or clothing similar to jeans while on tours. No camouflage clothing (including jackets.)** OPS letter jackets are acceptable. Shirts must be tucked in while touring.
    - 3. Comfortable walking shoes for sightseeing. (*New shoes should be broken in before trip.*) No flip-flop/Croc type.
    - 4. Be prepared for all kinds of weather! (Raincoats and umbrellas for rainy weather, hats, gloves, scarves, and boots for cold weather.) Snow is possible during the month of March.
  - C. Boys' hair must be neatly trimmed in accordance with OPS regulations. Boys must be clean shaven each day.
11. Bring a bag lunch on the bus that will last all day Monday (first day.) Lunch may be at a rest area that does not provide food. Any other snacks are welcomed!
12. Ice and drinks will be furnished in a cooler on the bus. The privilege of eating and drinking on the bus is relative to your "housekeeping" and can be revoked at any time.
13. No personal coolers of any size. Chaperones will keep anything (i.e... medicine) that needs to be kept cool.
14. Tag all of your luggage, camera, umbrellas, and other personal belongings. Take only what you can carry. Space on the bus will be limited due to the size of our group (**one bus**). Students are responsible for all of their personal belongings.
15. Personal pillows/throws are allowed.

16. Cell phones/devices (for music) must be used with earphones (headphones included) while on the bus (bus driver rule). They are not to be taken with you while touring. All cell phones must be turned off while in touring status. Any use of cell phones while on tours, etc. is not tolerated and will be confiscated until we return to hotel.
17. Students should bring a land charger and perhaps a battery operated charger. There is WiFi on the bus. A list of each student's cell phone numbers will be on file with all chaperones
18. DVDs may be brought. Be selective in that no obscene/violent subject matter or inappropriate language is used. The showing of DVDs is at the discretion of the chaperones/bus driver
19. All students are reminded of security checkpoints entering federal buildings. All rules and regulations of these destinations must be followed. Unlawful items will be confiscated.
20. If you drive your car/truck on Monday morning to leave in the parking lot, please have someone move it before that same evening. **BE SURE TO LOCK THE VEHICLE AT ALL TIMES.** As we approach Orangeburg on Saturday, your student will call via cell phone to notify you of the estimated time of arrival. (You may leave the car in the student parking lot earlier in the day.)

**General Statement** - It is expected that each student will conduct himself in a courteous manner exemplifying proper appearance and behavior while reflecting highest standards of personal integrity at all times.

The above special rules, as well as the prevailing Orangeburg Preparatory Schools, Inc., rules and regulations, will be in force and enforced. Consequences are subject to discretion of chaperones and administration and may be determined upon return from the trip. Chaperones reserve the right to dismiss the student from the trip at the parent's expense.

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Barbara Askins  
Senior Class Sponsor

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<b>MEALS 2020 @ STUDENT'S EXPENSE</b>	
Monday	Bag lunch/fast food at Travel Plaza
Wednesday	Lunch, Baltimore Inner Harbor
Thursday	Lunch (US Capitol cafeteria)
Friday	Dinner, food court/restaurant at Mall
Saturday	Lunch, snack

**ORANGEBURG PREPARATORY SCHOOLS, INC.**  
**2020 SENIOR CLASS TRIP**  
**PERMISSION SLIP AND MEDICAL INFORMATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ accept the regulations as set forward by Orangeburg Preparatory Schools, Inc.

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 Student's Signature/Date Signed

We (I), the parent(s), agree to accept the regulations as stated and hereby give consent for my child, to make this trip.

Name of Student	
Parent's Home Telephone Number	
Parent's Business Telephone Number	
Parent's Cell Phone Number	
Student's Cell Phone Number	
Date	
<i>Parent's Signature</i>	

***TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:***

The Orangeburg Preparatory Schools, Inc., chaperones have my permission to get any medical care may require.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Print name of your son/daughter)

**INSURANCE INFORMATION THAT MAY BE REQUIRED IS AS FOLLOWS:**

Name of the Insured	
Name of the Company	
Policy Number or ID Number	
Expiration Date (if applicable)	
Allergies to Medicines	
Other Allergies (If time is critical, please send antidote with complete instructions.)	
<b><i>Please write any additional information on the reverse side of this form</i></b>	
<i>Parent's Signature</i>	
Date Signed	