

City Honors 8th Grade Class Trip to Camp Pathfinder Procedures

Thursday, May 21

7:15AM CHS Atrium and Gymnasium

Parents, if you have any unexpected transportation issues on Thursday morning, please call 716.440.5122.

Students and Parents

- Check-in medications at medical station. Please have medications in plastic bags with student's name clearly labeled. Inhalers and epinephrine pens may stay with student. Individual health needs will be coordinated by chaperones in accordance with parent directions as indicated on the Camp Pathfinder Health Form during travel. Parents may speak with the attending chaperone to confirm everything is in order, or give updated instructions.
- Each student should find an open space in the Gym and layout all packed items neatly for inspection. (Mr. Sharratt will demonstrate how to properly do this prior to the day of the trip). Once a faculty member has inspected items the student may repack their belongings and await dismissal to the busses.
- We implement a departure procedure in order to ensure full accountability for safety and preparedness for camp and international border crossing for up to 120 students. To be fully redundant in our checks and properly organized before we depart our procedure may take up to 45 minutes to an hour. If possible, please remain with your child in the Gym until they are checked by a faculty member. If that's not possible due to your morning schedule, please contact Mr. Sharratt ahead of time to coordinate an expedited accommodation.

Students

- Eat breakfast and use the bathroom before arriving at CHS.
- Bring a brown bag lunch for the bus and reusable water bottle. You may not bring any candy on the bus.
- CHS Cafeteria will provide additional snacks for the bus ride.
- Keep garbage to an absolute minimum.
- Bring a book, cards, travel games, etc. for the bus.
- Do not bring electronic communication devices or electronic entertainment devices.

Packing

- Students must be able to carry their bag a long distance. Don't over pack.
- Be prepared to layer clothing as needed. Weather may be chilly in the mornings, pleasant during the day.
- Refer to the packing list. Students will receive classroom training on how to pack properly prior to the trip.

Pick-Up on Sunday May 24 – City Honors Parking Lot

- Approximately 7:00PM
- Chaperones will make calls to parents when the busses reach the Lewiston-Queenston Bridge to provide a precise pick up time.
- Parents please make sure your contact information is updated with the CHS Main Office to receive automated calls.

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Camper Gear List

Pack all items into one large duffel to stow in bus cargo and one small day pack (drawstring gym bag or equivalent) to take on board bus.

Packing List

- 1 sleeping bag and pillow
 - campers sleep in wood frame, wood floored, double fly canvas roof tents, on clean, durable vinyl wrapped mattress. But they need their own sleeping bag and pillow.
- 1 flashlight with new batteries
- 1 rain jacket, 1 pair lightweight long underwear or base layer, 4 pair socks, 1 medium weight wicking/insulating layer, 2 pair shorts, 1 pair long slacks (avoid denim), 3 t-shirts, 2 long-sleeved shirts
- 1 cap or brimmed shade hat, 1 warm hat
- 1 pair sturdy sneakers and a 2nd pair of outdoor footwear such as sneakers or “croc-style” water shoes.
- 1 bathing suit and 1 towel
- personal hygiene kit (the camp provides bio-neutral soaps)
 - include sunscreen
- day pack/gym bag
 - a book to read on the bus
 - a lunch to eat on the bus
 - 1 sanitary reusable drinking water bottle or canteen
- sunglasses

Optional

- camera (not capable of wireless communication)
- binoculars
- natural insect repellent
- playing cards or similar game items

Prohibited

- No insect repellent with high concentration of DEET
- No open toed shoes of any kind
- No ponchos
- No aerosols
- No lighters, matches, or fire starting tools or materials
- No edged tools or knives
- No nicotine, drugs, alcohol, weapons, or any items that are prohibited by the Buffalo Public Schools.
- No mobile electronic communication or electronic gaming devices
- Leave wrist watches at home

Parents, please contact Mr. Sharratt if you have any difficulty acquiring these items. Our community can often provide new or gently used items for families who prefer not to purchase items for expected one time use.

***For any questions pertaining to the list, or for more detail, please contact Mr. Sharratt. 716.440.5122
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