

# Earle B. Wood Middle School

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Office of the Principal

April 18, 2022

Dear Eighth Grade Parents/Guardians:

In celebration of the end of middle school, eighth grade students will have the opportunity to attend a field trip to Six Flags America in Upper Marlboro, Maryland on Wednesday, June 15, 2022. The cost of the trip is \$67.00 which includes admission, one meal, one snack, unlimited drinks and round trip MCPS bus service. Students and teachers will depart from Wood at approximately 10 a.m. and will return at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Students must adhere to all Montgomery County Public Schools and Earle B. Wood Middle School policies while on the field trip. The privilege of attending depends on following Wood Middle School policies prior to the trip. Therefore, students who receive more than two team referrals or one administrative referral after April 25, 2022, or fail to clear all financial obligations by June 3, 2022, may be considered for non-participation.

**Please fill out the attached permission slips and return them with payment to your child's History teacher by Friday, June 3, 2022. Any student that needs to take medication while on the trip should also complete form 525-13, *Authorization to Administer Prescribed Medication*, which also is attached.**

Please refer to the information on the back of this letter for additional details concerning Six Flags America payment, expectations, and logistics. If you have questions or concerns about this trip, please email the 8<sup>th</sup> grade team leaders [Edna\\_C\\_Nixon-Williams@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Edna_C_Nixon-Williams@mcpsmd.org) or [Matthew\\_P\\_Myers@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Matthew_P_Myers@mcpsmd.org), or call the school at 301-460-2150.

We hope your child will be part of this memorable experience.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Nixon-Williams

Matthew Myers

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## Additional Information for Six Flags Field Trip

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

As a school-sponsored event, the following guidelines apply:

- On the day of the trip, students will report to school at the regular time. We are scheduled to leave around 10:00 am and return to school at 6:00 pm. All parents are requested to be at school promptly to meet your children – do not wait to have your child call you when they arrive to school. **Carpooling is encouraged.** Also, please remember to leave the bus lanes open by waiting in the side lots.
- If you are able to contribute any additional amounts to help defray the costs of students with financial needs, please include that with your check.
- If financial assistance is needed, please contact **Ms. Grace Fernandez**, the eighth-grade guidance counselor by **May 20, 2022** or send in a written note to the 5<sup>th</sup> period teacher along with the permission forms.
- Once the trip to Six Flags America is paid for, **refunds cannot be made for any reason** because tickets and buses are reserved in advance.
- If you would like to pay online, visit the Earle B. Wood Middle School webpage and click on the link for Online School Payments.
- Students will be expected to follow regular school rules during the field trip, including following staff directions and wearing proper clothing.
- It is recommended that students bring along a **dry set of clothes** for the bus ride home if they intend to go on the water rides.
- **The deadline for all permission slips and payments is Friday, June 3, 2022.**

We all look forward to a fantastic day with your children!

# Earle B. Wood Middle School

## *Six Flags America End of the Year Trip*

### Student Request to Participate in a Field Trip Away from School

I, \_\_\_\_\_, wish to be excused from classes on Wednesday, June 15, 2022  
(Printed Student's Name)

from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm in order to participate in the following activity:

I also agree to adhere to all MCPS and Earle B. Wood Middle School policies while on the field trip.

Transportation for this activity will be by: **MCPS Buses**

Total cost of this activity including admission is \$67 per student.

- *Make checks payable to Earle B. Wood Middle School. Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Ck amount \_\_\_\_\_*
- *Sending a cash payment \$ \_\_\_\_\_*
- *If you would like to pay online, visit the Earle B. Wood Middle School webpage and click on the link for online payments.*
- *If you would like to split the cost in two payments, \$35 due May 20th and \$32 due May 31<sup>st</sup>.*

*The cost of field trips can be a burden to some families. Please consider donating to help cover the cost for those families.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, as parent/guardian give permission for my child  
(Parent/Guardian's Name Printed)  
\_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the activity, and the mode of transportation described above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/ Guardian's Signature . Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent E-mail contact: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Please check here if your child has any medical concerns. If so, what are the medical concerns?

\_\_\_\_\_ Will medication be given to the field trip coordinator? \_\_\_\_\_



# Parent/Guardian Approval For Trips MCPS Transportation Is Provided

MCPS Form 555-6  
July 2018

Office of School Support and Improvement  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Rockville, Maryland 20850

## PART I: To Be Completed by the Trip Sponsor.

School Earle B. Wood MS - 820  Grade Level/Group 8th Grade

Date(s) of Trip Wednesday, June 15, 2022 From 10:00 a.m./p.m. To 6:00 a.m./p.m.

Location of Trip (include city and state) Six Flags America, Upper Marlboro, MD

Transportation Arrangement: MCPS Bus Student Cost \$ 67.00

Purpose of Trip Celebrate end-of-Middle-School for all 8th graders

School Staff Sponsor Ms. Nixon-Williams and Mr. Myers Date 3 / 29 / 22

The student named below may be excused to engage in the above-described activity.

Signature of Principal [Signature] Date 4 / 12 / 22

## PART II: To Be Completed by Parent/Guardian, or Eligible Student

### A. Parent/Guardian Financial Responsibility

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) wants you to know about your financial responsibility for field trips.

**Cost**—Depending on the trip, the cost may include transportation, ticket or entrance fee, food, hotel, and/or a travel company's fee.

**Payment**—Payment may be made by check made out to the school, cash, or, if available, through an online payment system. However, it is recommended that you do not send cash to school with your student(s). A check returned by the bank for any reason is subject to a \$25.00 returned-check fee. Please contact the school counselor or school administrator to make alternative arrangements for payment. Scholarships, reduced fee, or modified payment schedules are available if the cost of the field trip would create a hardship for your family.

**Delay, Change, or Cancellation**—Sometimes it is necessary to postpone, change, or even cancel a trip for safety, bad weather, or other reasons. Sometimes, when a trip is cancelled, changed, or delayed, cancellation fees or other payments have been made in advance that MCPS cannot get back. For example, there may be transportation reservations, tickets that have been purchased, or fees paid to a travel agent. A refund is not always possible, but we will do our best to refund all or part of your payment.

**Additional Cost**—If a trip is delayed, interrupted, or changed once it has begun and students need to remain away from home and school longer than anticipated for safety or other reasons, there may be additional costs for such things as food, lodging, and additional or alternative transportation. If this happens, we will do our best to keep additional costs to a minimum, but you are responsible for paying these additional expenses for your child(ren).

### B. Prescribed Medication

School personnel will, when it is absolutely necessary, administer medication to students during the school day and while participating in overnight field trips if the parent/guardian has completed MCPS Form 525-13, *Authorization to Administer Prescribed Medication, Release and Indemnification Agreement*, and/or MCPS Form 525-14, *Emergency Care for the Management of a Student with a Diagnosis of Anaphylaxis, Release and Indemnification Agreement for Epinephrine Auto-Injector*.

My child will need medication administered while participating in this field trip. MCPS Form 525-13, and/or MCPS Form 525-14, has been completed (at least one week in advance of the field trip) and is on file in the Health Room at my child's school. *Note:* Prescription medication must be properly labeled by a pharmacist, medication label and authorized prescriber order must be consistent, and over-the-counter medication must be in an original container with the manufacturer's dosage label and safety seal intact. See Forms 525-13 and/or 525-14 for more details.

### C. Information Regarding Travel Insurance

Travel insurance may help cover costs if the trip is cancelled, delayed, or interrupted, or if your child is not able to go on the trip for reasons such as an illness. The cost of travel insurance varies depending on the company and plan you choose. Be aware, however, that travel insurance companies will not cover a trip that is cancelled by the school as a precaution. Unless the school has made arrangements for group insurance that is included in the cost of the field trip, the decision on whether to purchase travel insurance is yours. If you wish to purchase travel insurance, you must make the arrangements and pay the cost.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

- I give permission for my child to participate in the above-described activity.
- I do NOT give permission for my child to participate in the above-described activity.
- I would like to volunteer to chaperone this field trip.\*  
\*Please be advised that all volunteers must complete online training on the prevention, recognition, and reporting of child abuse and neglect. Volunteers for extended-day (returning after 7:00 p.m.), and overnight field trips must also undergo fingerprinting and background checks.

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

# Authorization to Administer Prescribed Medication

## Release and Indemnification Agreement



MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Rockville, Maryland 20850

MCPS Form 525-13  
February 2019  
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### PART I: TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PARENT/GUARDIAN

I hereby request and authorize Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) and Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) personnel to administer prescribed medication as directed by an authorized prescriber (Part II below). I agree to release, indemnify, and hold harmless MCPS and DHHS and any of their officers, staff members, or agents from lawsuit, claim, demand, or action against them for administering prescribed medication to this student, provided MCPS and DHHS staff are following the authorized prescriber's order as written in Part II below. I have read the procedures outlined on the back of this form and assume the responsibilities as required.

Student Name: Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_  
MCPS ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ School Name Earle B. Wood MS - 820

Prescription:  Renewal  New If new, the first full day's dosage was given at home on: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

List all medication(s) student is taking, including over-the-counter medication(s):

Signature, Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

### PART II: TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED PRESCRIBER

DHHS and MCPS discourage the administration of medication to students in school during the school day. Any necessary medication that possibly can be administered before and after school should be so prescribed. Only non-parenteral medications are administered except in specific emergency situations. School personnel will, when it is absolutely necessary, administer medication to students during the school day and while participating in outdoor education programs and overnight field trips, according to the procedures outlined on the back of this form.

#### PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH MEDICATION

Name of Medication (*trade name or generic*): \_\_\_\_\_ Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_

Dosage: \_\_\_\_\_ Time(s) to be given at school: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Ranges not accepted (i.e., 1 to 2 tabs or 2 to 4 puffs)*

Route of Administration: \_\_\_\_\_

Medication orders effective  Current school year, **OR**  Effective dates \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Side Effects: \_\_\_\_\_

If PRN, specify when indicated (signs/symptoms) \_\_\_\_\_

Frequency of administration (ranges not accepted, i.e. every 2 to 4 hours) \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Prescriber's Name (print/type) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Authorized Prescriber Signature \_\_\_\_\_

#### SELF-CARRY/SELF-ADMINISTRATION OF EMERGENCY MEDICATION AUTHORIZATION/APPROVAL

Self-carry/self-administration of **emergency** medication such as inhalers and epinephrine auto-injectors must be authorized by the authorized prescriber and be approved by the school nurse according to the Maryland State School Health Services Guidelines.

Authorized prescriber's authorization for self-carry/self-administration of emergency medication

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

School Nurse (RN) approval for self-carry/self-administration of emergency medication

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

### PART III: TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE OR PRINCIPAL

Check as appropriate:

Parts I and II above are completed, including signatures. (It is acceptable if all items of information in Part II are written on the authorized prescriber's stationery/prescription form)

Prescription medication is properly labeled by a pharmacist.

Medication label and authorized prescriber order are consistent.

Over-the-counter medication is in an original container with the manufacturer's dosage label and safety seal intact.

\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Date any unused medication is to be collected by the parent/guardian (within one week after expiration of the authorized prescriber's order).

Signature, School Community Health Nurse (SCHN)/Principal \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

## SIX FLAGS IS NOW CASHLESS



WHAT DO I NEED MONEY FOR ON THIS TRIP?



*Souvenirs and Games*

## SIX FLAGS AHORA ES SIN EFECTIVO



¿PARA QUÉ NECESITO EL DINERO EN ESTE VIAJE?



*Para la compra de Recuerdos y para los Juegos*



WHAT TYPE OF PAYMENTS WILL SIX FLAGS ACCEPT?



*Six Flags is now cashless and accepts all major credit cards, debit cards and Six Flags gift cards, as well as Apple Pay, Samsung Pay and Google Pay. For guests who may not have credit or debit cards, they can convert cash to prepaid debit cards at the Cash-to-Card kiosks stationed around the park. There is no fee to load cash onto a card at these kiosks. Please check the app for locations. For games, you will need to purchase a separate Gaming Card at gaming locations, which you can load via cashless payment.*



*No necesita efectivo porque Six Flags acepta todas las principales tarjetas de crédito, tarjetas de débito y tarjetas de regalo de Six Flags, así como Apple Pay, Samsung Pay y Google Pay. Para los visitantes que no tengan tarjetas de crédito o débito, pueden convertir efectivo en tarjetas de débito prepagas en los quioscos Cash-to-Card ubicados alrededor del parque. No hay cargo por cargar efectivo en una tarjeta en estos quioscos. Consulte la aplicación para ubicaciones. Para los juegos, deberá comprar una tarjeta de juego por separado en las ubicaciones de juego, que puede cargar mediante un pago sin efectivo.*



IS THERE A FEE TO USE THE CASH CARD KIOSK?



*No, there are no fees to convert cash to a prepaid card at a Cash-to-Card kiosk inside Six Flags. There are also no fees to use the prepaid card inside or outside of Six Flags.*



¿EXISTE UNA TARIFA PARA UTILIZAR EL QUIOSCO DE TARJETAS DE EFECTIVO?



*No, no hay cargos por convertir efectivo a una tarjeta prepaga en un quiosco Cash-to-Card dentro de Six Flags. Tampoco hay cargos por usar la tarjeta prepaga dentro o fuera de Six Flags.*



HOW DO THE CASH TO CARD KIOSK WORK?



*A guest will insert cash into a Cash-to-Card kiosk. It will dispense a plastic prepaid Visa Debit Card that can be used within Six Flags. Up to \$500 can be loaded onto a single card and cards cannot be reloaded or refunded. Cards can be used anywhere Visa is accepted.*



¿CÓMO FUNCIONA EL QUIOSCO CASH TO CARD?



*Un invitado insertará efectivo en un quiosco Cash-to-Card. Dispensará una tarjeta de débito Visa prepaga de plástico que se puede usar dentro de Six Flags. Se pueden cargar hasta \$500 en una sola tarjeta y las tarjetas no se pueden recargar ni reembolsar. Las tarjetas se pueden usar en cualquier lugar donde se acepte Visa.*