

SENIOR TRIPS

The Gracemont Public Schools currently allows graduating seniors the privilege of raising funds for and participating in a senior class trip. The following policy will govern eligibility for and regulation of senior trip activities:

1. Only those students who begin a school year classified as seniors may participate in senior class trip activities.
2. All trip participants must complete all graduation requirements and financial obligations to the senior class and Gracemont Public Schools prior to going on the senior class trip.
3. All class members are expected to participate in fundraising projects. The extent of participation shall be determined by the senior class sponsor.
4. Disciplinary situations that involve individual students that occur during the school year may result in exclusion from the senior class trip. Such exclusion may be made on the recommendation of the high school principal or superintendent.
5. Senior class sponsors are ultimately responsible for planning and arranging the senior class trip. A completed agenda of planned activities, destination, dates and estimated costs must be presented to the board of education for their approval no later than the January board meeting of each school year.
6. Trips planned will be limited to the United States unless approved by the Board of Education.
7. Seniors and sponsors will receive a daily cash per diem payment not to exceed \$300 per day to cover meals, gratuities and souvenirs while on the trip. The Class sponsor is responsible for distributing the cash per diems and documenting daily payments. The senior sponsor is also responsible for submitting all documentation, receipts and requisitions needed for the trip. Per Diem amounts may differ depending on the destination and how many meals are provided. The per diem amount must be listed on the requisition to receive cash needed for the trip and approved by the Superintendent.
8. All fund raising activities must be approved by the Board of Education.
9. All students will be required to sign a behavior contract prior to attending the trip as prepared by school legal counsel. (see addendum #1).
10. Every effort will be made by planning and budgeting to expend all funds raised for the trip, however, any excess funds will be expended as approved by the Board of Education.
11. Senior class parents and the class sponsor will be in charge of all trip-related activities leading up to and including the senior trip.

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12. The senior trip will take place the week following high school graduation or return no later than June
 15. Specific dates and duration of the trip will be approved by the Board of Education (SEE ITEM 5).

13. In an effort to limit fundraising activities to providing all costs for sponsors and students to have a fun senior trip, the trip sponsor will provide periodic updates as requested by the Superintendent to determine if any fundraisers may be eliminated once adequate funds are raised.

ADDENDUM 1:

GRACEMONT SENIOR TRIP STUDENT AGREEMENT

I, _____, STATE THAT I AM WILLING TO GO ON THE SENIOR TRIP, EVEN THOUGH I HAVE ALREADY GRADUATED.

I RECOGNIZE THAT THE GRACEMONT BOARD OF EDUCATION HAS POWER OVER ME SOLELY BECAUSE OF THIS CONTRACT, AND I HEREBY AGREE TO FOLLOW THE RULES AS LAID OUT BY THE SPONSORS:

1. I AGREE THAT THAT I WILL BE ON TIME TO MEET WITH SPONSORS AS REQUIRED.
2. I AGREE THAT I WILL FOLLOW ALL RULES AS LAID OUT BY THE SPONSORS AND AS DESCRIBED IN THE GRACEMONT STUDENT HANDBOOK.
3. I AGREE THAT THERE WILL BE ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL, NO ILLEGAL DRUGS, NO TOBACCO THAT I POSSESS, TRADE FOR OR PURCHASE DURING THE TRIP.
4. I AGREE THAT THERE WILL BE NO FIGHTING BETWEEN ME AND ANOTHER PERSON.
5. I AGREE THAT IF ANY OF THE RULES AS STATED ABOVE ARE VIOLATED BY MYSELF, I WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL BE REQUIRED TO DO SO.

 STUDENT AGREEMENT SIGNATURE

 DATE

(AGREEMENT PREPARED BY DISTRICT LEGAL COUNSEL)