2017 8th Grade Washington, DC Field Trip May 27-30, 2017

Plans for the 8th grade field trip have now been finalized. Participants will be visiting Washington, DC. We believe that this trip will greatly enhance the state standards in all disciplines just as it has in the past. There are so many learning opportunities in Washington and we have plans for 4 jam packed days of learning experiences.

The tentative cost of this trip is \$465.00. The price includes transportation, lodging, entrance to all attractions, and all meals. It does not include spending money. The actual cost is dependent on the number of participants going on the trip. The price of \$465.00 requires that at least 50 participants pay to go on the trip. At this time, the school is planning to only take one bus. Once the 50 spots for the one bus are full, a waiting list will be started. If there are 50 participants on the waiting list, then a second bus will be taken.

At this time we are asking for a non-refundable deposit of \$70.00 to be made by Thursday, September 29, 2016. Please understand that the school cannot refund this deposit because it will be sent to the tour company to reserve a spot for your child on the trip. Please discuss the trip thoroughly with your child before committing to participate. This is an educational field study and the students will be expected to learn as we tour the historical sites. Since the cost is dependent on the number of participants attending, changing one's mind can cause an increase in price for everyone.

If you are interested in chaperoning, please contact Glenda Hawthorne at ghawthor@greenville.k12.sc.us as soon as possible. All chaperones will be expected to pay the student cost of the trip.

In an effort to help you budget the cost of the trip we have established a schedule of monthly payments. **The payment schedule is listed below.**

September 29, 2016	\$70.00	(Non-refundable deposit)
October 28, 2016	\$70.00	(Non-refundable)
November 30, 2016	\$70.00	(Non-refundable)
January 31, 2017	\$70.00	(Non-refundable)
February 28, 2017	\$70.00	(Non-refundable)
March 31, 2017	\$70.00	(Non-refundable)
April 14, 2017	Remaining Balance	(Non-refundable)

After students have turned in their deposit of \$70.00, they will have an opportunity to participate in a fundraiser to help with the remaining balance of the field trip. More information about this fundraiser will be available in November.

The administration reserves the right to keep any student from participating in the field trip whose behavior in school prior to the trip has been inappropriate. Behavior will be judged on the number and severity of office referrals during 2^{nd} semester. Per Board policy, the Administration will inform parents when the decision has been made to keep a student from attending the trip. Students who are not allowed to go on the trip for discipline issues, but have already paid, will NOT be refunded their deposit.

Since this is an educational fieldtrip, all Woodmont Middle School rules and Greenville County School policies will be in effect. All inappropriate behaviors will be handled according to Woodmont Middle School's rules and policies.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at the school.

Thank you, The Eight Grade Team

2017 8th Grade Washington, DC Field Trip May 27-30, 2017 PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO MRS. HAWTHORNE <u>WITH YOUR DEPOSIT</u> BY SEPTEMBER 29, 2016.

By signing this paper, I am giving my child permission to participate in the eighth grade field trip t
Washington, DC for the 2016-2017 school year. I understand that the monthly payments are non
refundable.

STUDENT NAME	
PARENT NAME	-
Phone Number	