



Things you need to know before we go to Six Flags:

1. Plan to be at school on Wednesday, May 17, by 6:30 a.m. The buses leave promptly at 6:45 a.m. We will not wait if you are late.
2. **Mandatory check-in with Mrs. Wilmarth BEFORE you board any bus!** (since it's a school day, she has to turn in an attendance report to the office before we can leave)
3. You must ride the **same bus** to and from Six Flags. Girl/boy couples will not be allowed to sit together on the bus.
4. You will be assigned a teacher (there are 10 teachers going, including Mr. Raffel). It will be your responsibility to check in with that teacher at whatever time he/she tells you to. (You will get your teacher assignment on the bus)
5. Class trip T-Shirts **must** be worn all day; shirts **may not be altered in any way** before or during the day. Plan to dress for the weather. Any clothing that appears to be objectionable in any way will NOT be allowed. (Mr. Raffel will make the final decision if your clothing is questionable. If you arrive at school wearing objectionable clothing, you will be sent home.) (Class t-shirt will be handed out on Monday, May 15 during Activity Period)
6. You may bring the following items with you for the bus ride:
 - ✓ videos that are rated either G, PG, (or PG13 with chaperone approval) for us to watch on the ride down and back. **PLEASE bring a movie to share!!!**
 - ✓ plastic bottled beverages with screw-on caps – no cans or glass!
 - ✓ Snacks in **resealable** bags or containers.
 - ✓ Personal electronic devices (cell phones, iPod, tablets, e-readers, etc) **with headphones**. The buses are locked at the park; however the district will take no responsibility for lost or damaged items.
 - ✓ USB charger (to electrical outlets). The bus will also have Wi-Fi this year!
7. Each student is responsible for his/her area of the bus. **If you mess it up, you will clean it up.** You will not be allowed to drop scraps of paper or bits of food on the floor and plan to leave it for someone else to clean up. Brooms and dustpans will be provided to you if necessary.
8. Upon arrival at Six Flags, you will pass through a security area. Do not embarrass yourself or Mrs. Wilmarth by having something in your pockets that will be taken away from you. You will not get it back.
9. Upon arrival at Six Flags, your assigned teacher will give you your ticket to enter the park. You will also be given your lunch voucher. **Please note that our group eats between 11 & 1 – after 1, you may not use your lunch voucher. If you lose your lunch voucher, you're out of luck.** There are no extras.
10. If you want to buy a souvenir, you will need money. Stuffed characters range from \$10 to over \$30. T-Shirts are between \$15 to over \$40. You are responsible for any money you bring with you. Discuss this with your parents. (It's a great idea to bring your billfold or phone inside a Ziploc bag!)
11. All students will be expected back at the front of the park (by the big fountain) **by 4:00 p.m.** You will report to the teacher you've been assigned as soon as you get there. We must be on the buses prior to 4:30 so that they can leave on schedule. No exceptions.
12. We will arrive back at the school sometime between 7:45 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Parents should plan to be here to pick you up no later than 8:00. If we have some unforeseen reason for being late, your parents will be most understanding, I'm sure.

Parents – I will be going over this list with your student prior to the day of our trip. This is my 19th year to take the 8th Grade class on their celebratory field trip to Six Flags. I have rarely been disappointed in anyone's behavior while on this trip. I am proud of our students, and am so happy to be able to share in the fun. Please speak with your child about appropriate manners & general behavior for the day, and remind them that what they do and how they act is a reflection on the school district as well as on themselves. If you have any further questions, please contact me at school, either by e-mail wilmarth@qhills69.com or by phone (383-2121, option 4).