



Suggested Packing List for Washington DC



We are getting close! There are 18 school days or 27 total days till our departure. Enclosed are some packing suggestions. You will receive an itinerary as soon as Classic Tours makes one available to me. Plan on leaving around 8:30 PM on Monday evening and arriving back at the Wyneken parking lot very early (6-8 AM) on Saturday morning.

Divide your packing into two groups. The first group should include all things needed on the bus ride Monday evening through the day on Tuesday. This group must fit into a standard size gym bag. I would suggest that students arrive Monday evening in clothes they are comfortable sleeping in, such as sweats. The girls will be instructed to bring two or three quick heating curling irons at the most. There is neither time nor space for multiple curling irons in the bathrooms used to freshen up on Tuesday morning.

The second group should include all things needed for Tuesday evening through the rest of the trip. This group can be packed in any size suitcase. Once stowed on Monday evening, these suitcases will not be available until we check into our hotel late Tuesday afternoon. Flash photography will not be permitted on the bus for safety reasons. The hotel has a pool that we will probably use on Tuesday evening. We ask that any prescription medications be given to Mrs. Nelson to be distributed. She will also have ibuprofen to distribute as needed. We ask that no other medicines be sent. The students will be instructed to repack their gym bag for the trip home Friday evening. The suitcases will again be unavailable from Friday morning until we return. My list is by no means complete. It is simply designed to help in the organization and packing for the trip. Encourage your child to begin organizing their packing soon. With confirmation on Sunday, May 3, I would think that having everything packed before Sunday would reduce stress levels greatly. Please let me know if you have any concerns or questions.

Pack lots of film as you will not likely find it inexpensive wherever we are. We always see students paying high prices because they underestimated their film needs. I will have the ability to "unload" memory cards on Tuesday night through Thursday night. I'll then burn a disk of the pictures when we get back.

Group 1

Washcloth (with ziplock bag)
 Soap (with container)
 Toothbrush
 Toothpaste
 Other toiletry needs
 Contact lens materials
 Comb or brush
 Change of clothes
 Snacks
 Drinks (must be in plastic containers with screw tops)
 Personal music
 Personal game devices
 Reading materials (at least it is a thought)
 Camera (for first day of sightseeing)
 Film (for first day of sightseeing)
 Memory cards (for first day of sightseeing)
 Comfortable walking shoes should be worn or packed
 Pillow and blanket should also be packed but do not need to be in gym bag
 Sunglasses

Group 2

Weather appropriate clothing
 Watch
 Sun bloc (likely want some available in group 1 as well)