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## **Dr. John Long Middle School**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are planning to celebrate our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students moving on to high school with a field trip in their honor to "Gradventure" 2022 at Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure in Orlando, FL on May 13, 2022. Students will remain at school following normal dismissal on the day of the trip. Attendance at school on the day of the trip is mandatory in order to participate in Gradventure. We will depart JLMS at approximately 3:15 pm. Students will be provided a light dinner/snack prior to departure. We will return to JLMS at approximately 1:00 am.

The cost of this field trip is \$150 and includes admission to the park, a dinner voucher, an 8<sup>th</sup> grade shirt, the cost of the charter bus, and a light dinner/snack prior to departing for the trip. The dinner voucher provided is only good for 1 meal. Students will be responsible for the cost of any snacks or additional food or beverage items and any souvenirs they would like to purchase. Students are encouraged to bring snacks and water for travel on the bus. Students should bring a cellular phone (if they have one) for communication with chaperones. Students will receive their 8<sup>th</sup> grade T-shirts during 6<sup>th</sup> period on the day of the trip. T-shirts are to be worn throughout the trip accompanied by other dress code attire. Dress code violations will result in removal from the trip. Please see the attached Gradventure dress code document.

Parent volunteers (approved) are needed as chaperones for the trip. The number of chaperones will be based on the number of students participating in the event. If you are interested in chaperoning, please be sure to immediately process a volunteer application with Pasco County School District, as you must be an approved volunteer to attend, and it may take the School District a significant amount of time to process these applications. You must fill out a new volunteer application each year. Please fill out and detach the below form and return it to your student's teacher along with the student's permission slip if you are interested in chaperoning. We will contact parents based on need and seniority of interest expressed at least 3 weeks prior to the trip. We very much appreciate all in advance that may express interest, however, we can only accommodate a certain ratio to students. If you are selected to become a chaperone, please plan to attend a chaperone meeting on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 (time TBA) to review chaperone responsibilities and checklist.

Payment is due by March 10, 2022. **Payments are non-refundable after the due date**. All payments and donations should be made on the My Student Parent Portal under "pay school fees", please add your student's shirt size in the drop-down menu provided (adult sizes only). Please be sure of size, as exchanges will not be possible. You may also call the school and pay with your credit card. If another arrangement of payment is needed, please advise your teacher in writing. We are looking forward to spending this amazing time with your students!

<u>Participation in this activity is a privilege that can be withheld if a student violates the student code of</u> <u>conduct or has demonstrated unsatisfactory attendance or academic performance.</u> <u>FINAL DECISIONS WILL BE UP TO THE DISCRETION OF JLMS ADMINISTRATION</u>

If you are an approved volunteer and interested in attending as a Chaperone, please email your students Science Teacher the following information.

Parent Name, Student Name, Parent email and cell number