

8th Grade Honors Trip Selection Criteria

40 - 50 students 10 - 15 parents 2-3 teacher chaperones 1 tour escort

Numbers may vary depending on eligible students

Initial Screening

1. 8th grade students with overall 7th grade cumulative GPA of 85 +
2. Disciplinary record from 6th & 7th grade.
No more than one of the following
 - 1 OSS (Out of School Suspension)
 - 1 ISS (In School Suspension)
 - 1 APD (Activity Period Detention)

The teacher coordinators and middle school principal will review each student's disciplinary records.

3. Attendance - Student did not exhibit unreasonable - non-health related absences in 6th or 7th grade.

A letter will be sent to the eligible students who have met all of the above criteria by October 15th, inviting them to an informational meeting regarding the honors trip. This meeting will cover how they were selected, what they need to do to maintain their candidacy, and details about the trip.

What honors trip students must do/have to remain a candidate.

- 1A. Maintain an 85 or above GPA in middle school classes
If a student drops below 85 (but higher than 80) they will be put on a five week probation. In that time they must get their GPA up to the 85, or they will be removed from the trip.
- 1B. Maintain a 75 or above average in any advanced placement/high school level courses (i.e. Advanced Math, Advanced Science, Studio Art)
2. Maintain an outstanding disciplinary record through 8th grade.
No OSS/ISS/APD
Should a student receive a disciplinary action, the principal and teacher coordinators of the trip will determine if the infraction warrants the student being dismissed from the trip.
3. Teacher approval (all 8th grade teachers)
4. Complete an essay on the student's candidacy for the honors trip.
5. Have parent permission
6. Maintain a good attendance record
7. Attend all scheduled meetings. If unable to attend, inform the teacher coordinators of conflict.
8. Turn in all trip materials on time.