

GLOUCESTER HIGH SCHOOL
Senior Trip Rules and Regulations
April 2021

Dear Parents and Students:

Recognizing the education, social and cultural benefits of an annual Senior Class Trip, the faculty, administration and Board of Education endorse such a trip and outline the following rules and regulations for its implementation.

A. General Requirements

1. Because of educational soundness and economy, at least 40% of the Senior Class must agree to go on the trip.
2. The length of the trip will not exceed five (5) days and four (4) nights.
3. The staff and administration reserve the right to inspect student's baggage and room and to confiscate such items as alcohol, dangerous and illegal drugs before departure and during the entire trip.
4. Students and their parents must agree in writing that students will abide by all rules and regulations and by all decisions of the chaperones or the student will not be permitted to go on the trip. All forms must be turned in by the October payment.
5. Students participating must, at all times, abide by chaperones decisions, all policies, rules and regulations of the school.
6. The Administration reserves the right to deny any student the permission to participate in the trip as well as the right to assign room and roommates.
7. If the airline deems it necessary to charge for a COS (customer of size) and requires the purchase of an additional seat, this cost will be the student's responsibility. Please note: the airline could deem this as late as the time of boarding.
8. A current photo identification card must be presented upon check-in at the school on the day of departure (driver's license, passport or other official form of identification).

B. Student Eligibility

1. Each student must be academically eligible for graduation at the time of the trip.
2. Any student who is absent more than 10% of the day's school has been in session at the time of the trip must present a doctor's certificate stating that the student is in sufficiently good health to participate in the trip without any real risk of illness.
3. Students who have been suspended two or more times will not be permitted to go on the trip.
4. Any student in violation of school policies may be removed from the trip roster at any time.
5. The administrator in charge on the trip and the chaperones must approve any other student whose school department record is questionable.

C. Student Deportment

1. All students, regardless of age, must at all times demonstrate socially acceptable behavior, submit to the authority of the chaperones, and abide by all rules and regulations normally considered to be appropriate for school activities.
2. Students may not at any time have in their possession dangerous weapons, alcohol or illegal drugs or be under the influence of alcohol, illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia.
3. Students must respect the personal property of the school, fellow students and chaperones, all transportation carriers, and commercial establishments whose facilities are utilized during the trip.
4. Students may not at any time of the trip utilize any self-acquired means of transportation, such as, rental cars, cabs or buses. All transportation used must be school provided.
5. Students are responsible, at all times, for all activities that occur in their assigned rooms. They not only must maintain and protect the physical property, but also they are responsible for their own, their roommates' and their visitors' behavior. Any lewd or indecent acts occurring anytime during the trip will result in disciplinary action which will include dismissal from the trip.

D. Violations of Acceptable Behavior

Since this is a school trip, all school rules, policies and present school procedures (as per disciplinary procedures) will be followed without question. If a student must be sent home, parents will be notified. It is understood that immediate transportation by public means, as arranged by the parents, will be at the students'/parents' expense, and regular school action as per policy and procedure will be taken upon our return.

Students violating standards of acceptable behavior, especially those outline in Section C, will be subject to one or more of the following actions:

1. Being denied the right to leave Gloucester High if a violation of Sections A, B and C above. It should be noted that students who sign-up for the trip and violate Section(s) A, B or C may face cancellation penalties per World Class Vacation refund policies.
2. Being sent home, **will be the responsibility of the parent or guardian to make arrangements for immediate transportation home.** The parent or guardian of the student will be financially responsible for the transportation. The parent is either responsible to fly to Florida to escort their child home or can send written permission for their child to fly home alone (after being escorted to the flight gate at the Orlando airport by a chaperone).
3. Being restricted to the confines of the motel/hotel under the supervision of chaperones and not being permitted to participate in the remaining activities of the trip.
4. Being financially responsible for physical damages inflicted upon the personal property of others and for illegally possessing the property of others.
5. Being referred to local authorities as deemed appropriate by the administrator in charge and the chaperones in certain offenses which may be violations of the law.
6. Being liable for suspension from all remaining senior activities (prom, extracurricular, athletic activities and graduation exercises) upon returning from the trip.
7. Being liable for additional penalties, such as, suspension and/or possible expulsion may be imposed by the Administration and/or Board of Education.

E. Payment Schedule

Failure to adhere to the posted payment schedule may result in forfeiture of funds and /or removal from the trip. If the trip is cancelled for any reason the fundraising money is not refundable.

Sincerely,

Mr. Sean Gorman
Principal

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN TO MR. GORMAN'S OFFICE

Student Name: _____

Signature of Student: _____ DATE _____

Signature of Parent: _____ DATE _____