La Mesa Junior High School 8th Grade Grad Night Universal Studios Trip

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January 2023

Dear 8th Grade Parents/ Guardians:

At the end of the 8th-grade year, a number of activities are planned for La Mesa students who have met academic, behavioral, and attendance expectations. Please review the following with your child in regards to the 8th-grade Grad Night Trip to Universal Studios. Be sure that your child understands that participation in this event is a PRIVILEGE.

Universal Studios Trip

A trip to Universal Studios is planned for 8th-grade La Mesa students who have followed the school's behavioral and attendance expectations and are not on the school's Loss of Privilege List.

Trip Details:

- Date Friday, May 19, 2023
- Bus Departure Time from La Mesa 3:00 PM
- Bus Return Time from La Mesa 12:30 AM (Note: Parents must be waiting for students at La Mesa upon arrival.)
- Teacher chaperones will accompany students on the bus.
- Students will be on their own upon arriving at the park.

The cost for the trip:

- \$100.00. (includes admission & bus transportation ONLY...meal is <u>NOT</u> included...students need to bring money for food, games and/or souvenirs.)
- Cash or Check only (Checks made out to: La Mesa ASB)

For those who cannot pay the full amount in one transaction, the following payment plan schedule is suggested as a way to meet the March 17th deadline:

1/27/2023 - 1st \$25 payment due 2/17/2023 - 2nd \$25 payment due 3/3/2023 - 3rd \$25 payment due 3/17/2023 - final \$25 payment is due

If you would like to donate money to the scholarship fund for students who need assistance, please see the information below:

Student Ticket Scholarship Donation If you would like to donate money to the scholarship fund for students who need assistance, you may do so at our La Mesa Web Store: https://bit.ly/3foDi0d

Just look for the following link: (NOTE: iOS/Safari browser is NOT supported. PLEASE USE CHROME OR WINDOWS EDGE BROWSER)





^{***}The last day to purchase a ticket for this event is on Friday, March 17, 2023.

Expectations

- Students must comply with all school and Universal Studios regulations. Violators of school or Universal Studios rules may be
 referred to the local police or sheriff's station. Students who commit a serious offense will be removed from the park. Parents
 will be notified to pick up their child at either Universal Studios or the police/ sheriff's station.
- Students must follow the District's dress code policy.
- Students are <u>not</u> allowed to wear school-affiliated clothing (spirit wear) at this event per Universal Studios policy.

Ticket Sales

- Tickets are on sale January 23 through March 17 at the ASB window during brunch or lunch only.
- Cash or Check only (Checks made out to: La Mesa ASB)
- Students must present their school ID at time of purchase with a completed field trip permission slip. Permission slip submissions will be checked prior to sale of a ticket. Permission slips can be completed digitally. If a student needs a paper copy of a permission slip, they can request one at the ASB window.

Permission slip

- Students must have a permission slip completed before they can purchase a ticket.
- **CLICK HERE** to complete the Field Trip Permission Slip

Students **must** ride the bus to and from Universal Studios. Any early pickups from the theme park will need prior administrative approval and completion of a **Bus Release Form.** A Bus Release Form can be requested from the main office if needed.

Loss of Privilege List

Students must ensure they are not on the Loss of Privilege List to participate in this event.

Students on the Loss of Privilege include those who...

- have 20 or more tardies in Quarter 3 or 4
- have been placed on a Behavior/ Discipline Contract
- have committed a suspendable offense
- have been placed on an Attendance Contract
- have outstanding debts i.e., Library fines

Refund Policy

There will be <u>no</u> refunds after the close of sales on Friday, March 17, 2023.

Note: If a student is pulled from the trip due to being placed on the Loss of Privilege List after March 17, 2023, they will <u>not</u> be eligible for a refund.

We hope this opportunity will provide a fun and memorable experience for our 8th-grade students!

Sincerely, Kullen Welch Principal