

# Williamsburg Adventure Club

## Frequently Asked Questions

Thank you for your interest in the Williamsburg Adventure Club. This is an exciting opportunity for your child to experience the history and fun of Williamsburg, VA. Realizing that sending your student on this trip is a significant decision we have created this list of FAQs to help you in the decision making process.

Please do not hesitate to contact us for further clarification or any additional questions you have.

Sincerely,

John Priest and Andy Cloutier

### **Who will be chaperoning the trip?**

The trip will be chaperoned by Dr. Priest, Dr. Cloutier, Mrs. Priest and other teachers your child is familiar with from Middlebrook School. During the trip we will maintain a ratio of **one** chaperone for every **seven** students.

### **Will I be able to contact my child during the trip?**

Absolutely. Students will be allowed to bring a cell phone on the trip. We do ask that the cell phones are turned off when we visit the historical sites in Williamsburg and during our dinners. We operate on a “friends, not phones” policy when we are dining! In the event of a family emergency Dr. Priest and Dr. Cloutier will have their cell phones on 24 hours a day. Parents will be supplied with the contact numbers for Dr. Priest and Dr. Cloutier as well as the hotel phone number.

### **What steps are being taken to ensure my child’s safety at the hotel?**

Upon our arrival at the hotel students will receive specific instructions to make the hotel a safe environment for the students. Students will be taken to their rooms by a chaperone and given time to get settled. Once the students are settled there will be a mandatory meeting with all students to review security procedures. After the meeting there will be a fire drill to make sure students are aware of the location of stairways and emergency exits. During the night chaperones and hotel security will monitor the hallways.

### **How is the group traveling from place to place during the trip?**

We will be traveling to Williamsburg aboard a Coach Tours bus. You may visit their website at <http://www.coachtour.com/default.htm> for more information on the tour company. Coach Tours will be driving the group to Williamsburg and the surrounding locations from the hotel in Williamsburg, VA.

### **Where is the group staying during the trip?**

We will be staying at the Williamsburg Woodlands Suite directly next to Colonial Williamsburg. You may visit the hotel online at:

<https://www.colonialwilliamsburghotels.com/accommodations/williamsburg-woodlands/>

**What are the room arrangements?**

Prior to the trip and during the Monday class at TRACKSIDE we allow students to request who they would like to room with. We always try to honor those requests. There are usually 3-4 students in a room. Chaperones are stationed every third room so as to be available to students.

**Is there a pool in hotel?**

Absolutely. Actually, this hotel has an outdoor pool area, basketball courts, splash areas and much more! Students will be allowed to use the pool in small chaperoned groups each night that we are there.

**What if my child has a particular medical concern?**

Medical forms will be distributed prior to and during the parent meeting and must be returned before we depart for Williamsburg, VA. We will meet with individual parents to discuss specific medical needs. Dr. Cloutier or Dr. Priest will dispense all medicines during the trip. Please make sure you give us an adequate supply of necessary medication before we leave for the trip.

**Will there be any unsupervised time during the trip?**

During some lunches students may be allowed to eat on their own in a group but will not be allowed to leave the immediate area and must remain in groups of at least 4 students. A small food court is often chosen for lunch. We also check to make sure at least two students have watches and/or cell phones.

**How much spending money should I give my child for the trip?**

The students will need money to buy four lunches. You could plan on \$10 per lunch depending on your child's appetite. We will have the bus stocked with granola bars, chips, fruit, and drinks for the duration of the trip to cover in-between meal needs as we travel. The amount you wish to give your child for souvenirs is a personal decision.