

# The Villages® Charter School

## Elementary School

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September 27, 2017

Dear Parents,

Our 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes will be taking a wonderful trip to the historical city of St. Augustine. Throughout the year your child will be studying Florida and this trip will be an excellent way to see Florida's history in person. The trip will take place on two separate dates.

**Classes will be going to St. Augustine on the following days:**  
**Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> – Mrs. Barclay, Mrs. Mergaert, Mr. Mutz & Mrs. Williams**  
**Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> – Ms. Crane, Ms. Patton, Mrs. Sykes & Mrs. Zentko**  
**Friday, Decemeber 15<sup>th</sup> – Mrs. Flowers, Ms. McCranie, Mrs. Russell & Mrs. Vlasto**

**Departure on each day will be at 6:00 A.M from the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Center. Please arrive and park in the West parking lot in front of the gym no later than 5:45 a.m.** Students along with their adult chaperones will board a deluxe motor coach chartered by Educational Tours. While in St. Augustine students and adults will tour many historic sites such as: Castillo de San Marcos (the Old Fort), the Old Florida Museum (which includes the Spanish Village, the Indian Village, the Archeology Program or the Pioneer Village), the Fountain of Youth, as well as a narrated trolley tour. Each class will be staying together as a whole for this event. After a fun, educational packed day students will arrive back at the school around **6:30 p.m.**

The total cost for the trip will be \$88.00 per person for students and \$103.00 per person for adult chaperones. The price includes transportation, admission, and lunch provided by Subway. At this time a non-refundable deposit of \$40.00 for each participant is needed. The deposit amount is due by **Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>** .. Because reservations will be made dependent on the number of deposits received, no late payments will be accepted. The balance for the trip will be due **Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>** . The attached permission slip must be completed and **notarized** for your child to participate. Please return it to your child's teacher along with your final payment. Make checks payable to VCS. All payments are non-refundable.

Each classroom is in need of five (5) parent chaperones to serve as helpers for this trip; one parent per family, please. If you are interested in being a chaperone please fill out the bottom portion of this page and return it to your child's teacher by Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> . To be considered as a chaperone, you must have submitted a completed volunteer application and copy of your driver's license on or before October 3<sup>rd</sup> . Names will be drawn on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> and parents will then be notified. Parents chosen as chaperones will need to submit payment along with their child's according to the due dates listed above. Parent chaperones will be required to travel on the bus and stay with the class group for the entire day. Parents will earn 13 hours of PI service time. Additional adults and siblings are not allowed on the trip.

Your child should wear a blue or green school uniform shirt with uniform pants or shorts on the day of the trip. If you have any questions, please ask your child's teacher. We are looking forward to a great time!

Educationally yours,

Mrs. Stacy Barclay  
Mrs. Cynthia Mergaert  
Mrs. Candice Sykes

Mrs. Ann Crane  
Mr. Lucas Mutz  
Mrs. Bridget Vlasto

Mrs. Allison Flowers  
Ms. Sara Patton  
Mrs. Tracey Williams

Ms. Samantha McCranie  
Mrs. Glenna Russell  
Mrs. Diane Zentko



I would like to chaperone. \_\_\_\_\_

(Name – Please Print)

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_