



# ARBOR PARK MIDDLE SCHOOL

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August 31, 2018

\*Second Informational Meeting

Dear Parents and Students:

On both April 9<sup>th</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup>, I met with the current 8<sup>th</sup> grade to talk about all the opportunities that are before them as eighth graders. The first event is our annual Springfield trip on November 1<sup>st</sup>. It is our wish that all students qualify for the Springfield trip, but please understand that guidelines must be followed in order to be eligible for the experience. Students who fail to adhere to the academic and behavioral standards that have been set, will forfeit their privilege to attend the trip to Springfield. If further problems persist, other school related activities will also be in jeopardy.

### **REASONS FOR LOSS OF THE SPRINGFIELD TRIP ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

- 3 OR MORE OFFICE DETENTIONS, OFFICE REFERRALS, BUS REFERRALS
- EXCESSIVE ABSENCE LETTER (3 or more days)
- A MAJOR DISCIPLINARY INFRACTION AS DETERMINED BY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION
- 1 "IN" OR "OUT" OF SCHOOL SUSPENSION
- **GRADE POINT AVERAGE BELOW A 1.25**

In addition, students are going to be required to pay for the trip to Springfield. **The cost is \$110.00** and includes a full day of sight-seeing, box lunch from Subway, coach bus transportation and dinner at Illinois State University. The itinerary includes Lincoln's Home, Lincoln's Tomb, the Lincoln Museum, the Old and New State Capitals, and souvenir shopping.

We leave at approximately 6:00AM and return by 9:00PM. Students who attend the trip are then excused from attendance at school on Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

\*Students who do not attend the trip must attend school on Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup> and Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Attached please find a permission slip that needs to be returned with your child's payment to their Homeroom teacher by Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>.**

Lunch from Subway will consist of a drink, chips, cookie and a 6" sub. All condiments will be left off the sandwiches. Students may request condiments when they arrive at Subway. We hope that all students will participate in this very fun adventure. Our students have reported this as being one of their favorite activities during their last year here at Arbor Park.

Due to deposits and reservations necessary with ISU and Coach Bus, I am asking parents to submit the cost of the trip to the **Main Office** by **Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> 2018**. If there are any financial concerns, please contact my office at 708-687-5530.

It is our intent that all students and their families have an enjoyable eighth grade year, but compromises that affect the learning environment and educational setting at Arbor Park Middle School will not be made. We sincerely appreciate the continued support we receive from our Arbor Park families and hope that all can have a wonderful eighth grade experience.

Sincerely,

Mr. David Evans  
Principal Arbor Park Middle School