

## **End of Year Destination: Nashville/Louisville/Mammoth Cave**

Date of Trip: **Tuesday, May 28 through Thursday, May 30, 2024**

### **Parent Informational Meetings**

Informational meetings will be held on Thursday, October 5 at 5:30PM or Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 6:30PM. Both meetings will be held in the Cafeteria (Nest), and the same information will be shared at both meetings.

### **Reservations (note that this trip may sell out)**

**\$50.00 non-refundable deposit secures a slot for the trip.**

**There are 84 available spots for this trip.**

### **Eligibility**

**No F's on the report card (w/ minimum 2.00 GPA). Out of School suspensions may cause removal from the trip. Students must interview with Mr. Smith for social-emotional and behavioral skills.**

### **Cost\* Make all checks payable to Brookside Middle School**

**\$700 (Quad—4 students in a room)**

\*Triples (additional \$75 per student) or Doubles (additional \$125 per student) are options if families choose to have less than 4 in a room.

\*Cash/Check/Money Order accepted

### **Payment Schedule**

**\*Payment 1 (Deposit) of \$50: Reserves a seat for the trip (reservations taken until trip is sold out)**

**\*Payment 2 of \$325: Due Friday, February 9, 2024**

**\*Payment 3 of \$325: Due Friday, April 12, 2024**

Payments can be sent to school with your child at any time and given to Mr. Smith (students should give money directly to Mr. Smith in Social Worker Office 019 or the main office).

**Please use an “Academic Club Envelope” for each payment (envelopes available in the office or Mr. Smith).**

### **Scholarship/Grant Opportunities**

The Ohio Afterschool Child Enrichment (ACE) Educational Savings Account program provides \$1000 to a student's parent or guardian to use on various enrichment and educational activities. The program is being offered through a contract between Merit International and the Ohio Department of Education. **Nowak Tour & Travel is a grant/scholarship provider for the ACE program (provider ID is 202081).** This program will cover the cost of a student trip. Additional information on the program can be found by visiting

[www.education.ohio.gov/OhioAce](http://www.education.ohio.gov/OhioAce)

**Tour Company: Nowak Tour & Travel** [www.nowaktours.com](http://www.nowaktours.com)

Tentative Itinerary available/provided at parent meetings.

### **Transportation/Accommodations**

Motor coach transportation (charter bus)

Transportation & hotel safety records are a priority

### **Trip Information**

- All attractions, admissions, and services as stated in the itinerary are included
- All meals are included
- Taxes and gratuities included
- T-shirt, bottled water, and group picture included

### **Refund/Cancellation Policy**

Cancelling (due to family decision OR academic ineligibility) more than 45 days prior to the trip departure date will receive a full refund minus the initial \$50 trip deposit. Cancelling within 44-15 days of the departure date forfeits 75% of the trip cost. Cancelling within 14-0 days of the departure date forfeits 100% of the trip cost.

### **Trip Advisor/Coordinator (sponsored by BMS Academic Club)**

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