

**“Step To The Future” College Tour
March 28 – April 2, 2010**

Informational Meeting Agenda * Saturday, March 13, 2010 * 4:00pm
Baptist Grove Church (Sanctuary) * 7109 Leesville Road * Raleigh, NC 27613

Prayer

- ◆ Welcome & Introductions
- ◆ College Tour History & Purpose
- ◆ Overview of College Tour Itinerary
- ◆ Review of College Tour Forms and Documents:

Registration Form

- a. Parental Permission Signature
- b. Student Acknowledgement Signature

Medical Health Record Form

- a. Insurance card
- b. Health/Safety

Academic Requirement

- a. Grade Point Average / Education Verification

- ◆ College Tour Etiquette – Code of Conduct
- ◆ Transportation and Hotel Accommodations
- ◆ Packing Check-list
- ◆ Departure / Community Send Off Rally
- ◆ Questions and Answers

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Itinerary

Sunday, March 28	9:00a 10:30a 11:00a 5:30p 6:30p 10:30p	Assemble at Baptist Grove Church Community Send Off Service / Rally Depart Raleigh, North Carolina Arrive Lodging – Bel Air, Maryland Dinner / Evening Fellowship Lights Out
Monday, March 29	6:30a 10:00a 2:00p 6:30p 10:30p	U Got 2 RISE - Devotions Tour Howard University Tour Bowie State University Dinner / Evening Fellowship Lights Out
Tuesday, March 30	6:30a 9:30a 2 :00p 4:00p 6:30p 10:30p	U Got 2 RISE – Devotions Tour Lincoln University Tour Temple University Visit Philadelphia, PA Dinner / Evening Fellowship Lights Out
Wednesday, March 31	6:30a 8:00a 6:30p 10:30p	U Got 2 RISE - Devotions Visit Washington, DC Dinner / Evening Fellowship Lights Out
Thursday, April 1	6:30a 10:00a 2:00p 4:30p 6:30p 10:00p	U Got 2 RISE – Devotions Tour Morgan State University Tour McDaniel College Great Blacks In Wax Museum Dinner / Evening Fellowship Lights Out
Friday, April 2	4:30a 5:30a 9:00a 5:00p 7:00p 11:00p	U Got 2 RISE – Devotions Travel to Hampton, VA Tour Hampton University Travel to Raleigh, NC Dinner / Fellowship / Tour Awards Assemble at Baptist Grove Church

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Code of Conduct

1. Each student **must** have on file: a signed registration form which includes the student pledge and parent / guardian permission; a medical health record form, and a verification of medical insurance.
2. All students must abide by **all** rules and instructions given by the college tour chaperones.
3. Students are expected to communicate in a respectful manner with chaperones, tour guides, and other students at all times during the tour.
4. There will be no loud playing of CD players, ipods, music etc, at anytime. These items may only be utilized during authorized time periods as indicated by the chaperones.
5. Students must have permission of the chaperone in charge of their group before leaving the group at anytime.
6. No student will be permitted to be alone at any time during the tour.
7. Each student has a responsibility to maintain a high degree of cleanliness/hygiene at all times.
8. Students must be inside their assigned room by the designated time each night. No student will be allowed to leave the room after that time. Preparing ice buckets and the purchase of any beverage/food items must be done prior to that time. Each student is expected to adhere to all curfews.
9. Each student is responsible for maintaining their personal belongings and the common area on the bus and in the hotel room in an orderly fashion at all times. Rooms are subject to inspection by chaperones at any time.
10. Casual wear must be appropriate. No bare midriff showing, no short-shorts or skirts, wording on clothes must be appropriate, no baggy pants worn below the waistline showing underwear, no low-cut jeans or other pants worn below the waistline showing underwear, no back-out or low-cut tops. Each student will be expected to be fully and properly dressed to participate in the planned activities. Everyone will wear appropriate clothing for touring colleges.
11. Students will be responsible for paying for any damages made to the bus or hotel room. Students will alert the chaperones if anything is broken or not working immediately.
12. Jewelry and any other expensive items are worn and/or carried on this trip at your own risk.
13. CELL Phones: Students may only use cell phones at times designated by tour chaperones. Violations to this rule will result in confiscation of the students cell phone until the tour ends.

Code of Conduct - continued

The following behaviors are STRICTLY PROHIBITED:

1. Profanity.
2. Smoking.
3. Excessive noise or loud talking.
4. Leaving the group without permission or breaking any rules stated on page 1.
5. Possession weapon(s), illegal drugs, or alcohol.
6. Harmful tricks and/or games played on others.
7. Bullying or any other negative behaviors towards others.
8. Sexual conduct or acts committed.

Unruly and disorderly conduct will result in being sent directly home.

If a touring student is arrested for drug possession, use, buy, or any other crime, they can expect to remain in the custody of the arresting officials until a parent/guardian arrives at the location of incarceration to make or see to necessary arrangements for release. A phone call will be made from the chaperones to inform parent/guardian of the location. No chaperone or any member of the group will stay with the touring student. **The tour will continue.**

SUMMARY:

We are sure you understand that we will be hundreds of miles from home. The above mentioned code of conduct is necessary to insure safety and protection, as well as the enjoyment of the College Tour for all.

Your Chaperones!

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College Tour 2010 transportation is coordinated by
U.S.A. Luxury Tours of Durham, NC
919.490-3166

Mr. Joe Alston, President and Proprietor

- ❖ Baptist Grove Church and PATT have a solid, long standing relationship with U.S.A Luxury Tours.
- ❖ This is the 11th of eleven years that U.S.A. Luxury Tours has coordinated transportation for the College Tour.
- ❖ College Tour 2010 will be transported in a 57 passenger luxury coach.

Tour Emergency Contact Telephone #s

Deacon Keith Shannon – (919) 673-4154

Deaconess Belinda Shannon – (919) 673-4161

Trustee Sterling A. Smith – (919) 889-4940

Baptist Grove Church Office – (919) 787-4528

Lodging

Homewood Suites
4170 Philadelphia Road
Bel Air, Maryland 21015
(410) 297-8585

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Packing Checklist

BIBLE

PICTURE ID

TOILETRIES - i.e. comb, brush, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, lotion, sunscreen lotion, curling iron, hair rollers, etc., shower shoes

ACCESSORIES - camera, film, tape/cd player, rainwear, umbrella, **BELTS**, watches, batteries, etc.

VALUABLES - Each student is solely responsible for their own valuables.

DRESS-WEAR - comfortable walking shoes, **RESPECTABLE clothing for campus visits**, etc. Tour chaperones will closely monitor fashion - dress - wear.

Young men must bring a neck tie, and at least one dress shirt.

BUS TRAVEL: pillow, lightweight blanket, and light jacket. Minimum of 1 carry on bag and 1 piece of luggage to be stored under the bus.

EXTRAS: snacks inside carry on bag

MONEY:

(1) Touring students need a minimum of \$55.00 in their possession. Students will purchase their own lunch daily (estimated at \$7.00 per day), and will be required to provide tips at times throughout the tour.

(2) After discussion with parents/guardians, the amount of discretionary spending money should be determined. An opportunity to purchase souvenirs will be provided at each college/university bookstore (tee shirts, trinkets, paraphernalia, etc...), and at cultural / historical sites.

(3) **Students are responsible** for the maintenance, management, and monitoring of their own finances.

As stated in the Code of Conduct, Cell Phones, CD Players, Ipods, and Walkmans will only be utilized at the discretion of the tour chaperones.