

## 2019 Springfield, IL Trip

Dear Parents and Students,

I am excited to announce that I will lead a group of Gwendolyn Brooks Middle School students on a WorldStrides program to Springfield, IL. On this once-in-a-lifetime adventure, students will explore some of Illinois's most important historical sites and experience incomparable learning moments. This will be a trip that your child will be talking about for years to come!

Your child will return home excited to tell you about:

- Touring the Illinois State Capitol Building and seeing the state legislative process
- Visiting the childhood home of one of our nation's most influential presidents, Abraham Lincoln
- Reliving the 19th century through visits to log houses, taverns, and mills

I have chosen to travel with WorldStrides because of their exceptional service, their 50 years of experience, their safety record, and their preventive measures that ensure learning occurs in a safe and fun environment. I will chaperone the program with other teachers as needed, and throughout the program our group will be guided by a WorldStrides-certified Course Leader. Since this is not a school sponsored trip, we will not be attending as representatives or employees of the school.

**There will be a trip information meeting to discuss this wonderful opportunity on January 23, 2019 at 7:00 PM In the commons at.** All parents and students are invited to attend this brief 30-minute meeting where I'll share more information about WorldStrides, review some of the trip highlights, and explain some of the tools available to help pay for the trip. I strongly encourage you to attend this meeting. Please read the enclosed brochure, check out the sample itinerary on the back of this page, and visit [www.worldstrides.com/signup](http://www.worldstrides.com/signup) for more details about WorldStrides and our group's trip. If you have any questions, you can contact me at (312)241-2639, or via [dctripbrooksjulian@gmail.com](mailto:dctripbrooksjulian@gmail.com).

**Sign Up By Thursday, January 31, 2019**

Janorise Robinson  
Program Leader



## Springfield, IL Details:

### TRIP DATES

**Trip ID#: 171749**

Destination: Springfield, IL  
Departing: Friday, March 15, 2019  
Returning: Friday, March 15, 2019

We will depart on the morning of March 15th, via chartered motor coach and arrive in Springfield, IL the morning of March 15th. We will then spend 1 active days learning on location. We will depart Springfield, IL, again via chartered coach, the evening of March 15th.

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### TRIP PRICE

Prices are based on 40 full-paying participants.

**Student:** \$130 quadruple occupancy.

**Adult:** \$150 double occupancy.

Payment can be made in full or spread out into monthly installment payments\*. Select EZPay when choosing monthly installment payments and have your payments automatically deducted from your bank account saving you time and potential missed payments.

Full Refund Program: An additional \$19 covers cancellation (see Terms and Conditions at [www.worldstrides.com/ms-terms-conditions](http://www.worldstrides.com/ms-terms-conditions)).

**FLAG financial assistance:** FLAG financial assistance may be available for families with an adjusted gross income up to \$85,000. See reverse for details.

\*Installment amounts may vary in price based on when you sign up and optional inclusions. Your last payment must be made by the final payment deadline and may be larger than your previous installment payments. Your final payment is due on 02/08/2019.

### INCLUDES

- Sightseeing transportation
- Round trip transportation
- Admission fees
- 24-Hour Emergency Support
- Field Journals
- Course Leader
- All Meals

### SIGN UP TODAY!

**Sign Up By: 01/31/19 (Please register as soon as possible)**

Deposit Amount: \$49 (non-refundable)

#### Sign Up:

- Online at [www.worldstrides.com/signup](http://www.worldstrides.com/signup) (use **Trip ID#171749** to sign up)
- By phone – call WorldStrides' Customer Service Team at 1-800-468-5899
- By mail – use the registration form **on reverse**

Sign up today for the trip of a lifetime!



**ONLINE**

[worldstrides.com/signup](http://worldstrides.com/signup)



**PHONE**

800-468-5899



**MAIL**

Fill out the attached form  
and return by mail

# Easy ways to pay for your trip

At WorldStrides, our passion is student travel. We believe every student should have the opportunity for travel to change their lives and that's why we offer several tools to help make these experiences possible for each and every student.



## Financial Assistance with FLAG Future Leaders of American Government

- Over \$2.5 million in financial assistance given out each year to thousands of families
- Families with annual adjusted gross incomes of less than \$85,000 may qualify
- One simple call and you'll know how much is available for your trip

Hurry, financial assistance is given on a first come, first served basis.



## Fundraising with the Gift of Education

- Student driven fundraising where 100% of money raised goes to offset trip price
- Easy to use e-cards, letters and shareable Facebook links students can send to friends and family
- Thousands of students pay for their entire trip each year through the Gift of Education



## Payment Plans that are easy & affordable

- Sign up for the trip with a small deposit
- Remaining payments are spread out into smaller amounts and paid monthly prior to travel
- Set up auto-deductions from your checking account to save time and money

Please don't let the cost of the trip prevent your child from experiencing this incredible opportunity with their friends. WorldStrides Customer Service can help make this a reality so call us today at **800-468-5899** and let us tell you more about these great programs available to help you pay for your trip.

## Protect your investment with our Full Refund Program

Educational travel is an investment in your child's future. Our Full Refund Program protects that investment should you have to cancel prior to departure. The program refunds all money paid (less non-refundable deposit, fees, and the Full Refund Program cost). We strongly recommend that you add-on our Full Refund Program when signing up for your trip.

Full Terms and Conditions are available at [worldstrides.com/tripterms](http://worldstrides.com/tripterms).

## REGISTRATION FORM

**Gwendolyn Brooks Middle School**

**Trip ID# 171749 - 03/15/19 - W#**

Full legal name\* \_\_\_\_\_

Additional registrant name\* \_\_\_\_\_

\*Federal mandate (TSA) requires that travelers provide their complete first, middle, and last names (as they appear on legal documents, not nicknames or initials) and date of birth.

Date of birth: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  Male  Female  Student  Adult Additional registrant DOB: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  Male  Female  Student  Adult

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  I verify this is a valid email address. Sign me up for paper-free billing and notifications

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Responsible Party name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's work phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's work phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount I am paying today: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your minimum payment is \$49

I am paying by check There is a \$35 charge for returned checks

I am paying by credit card  MasterCard  Visa  Discover

Card Number:

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Name as it appears on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes, enroll me** in the Full Refund Program!

**No, do not enroll me** in the Full Refund Program

Signature

X: \_\_\_\_\_

I have reviewed and agree to the Terms and Conditions and confirm my Full Refund Program selection. Full Terms and Conditions can be found at [www.worldstrides.com/tripterms](http://www.worldstrides.com/tripterms)

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