

## **Fall Class Trips 2018**

Traditionally, Buffalo Seminary organizes class trips over Columbus Day weekend. This year however, we have decided to move up our class trips to the first day of school. The purpose of this change is to start the school year learning something new, and to connect students with her fellow classmates early on. Students are expected to attend these trips, as each trip is an integral part of SEM's school program.

Charges for the trips will be billed on your daughter's school account (bookbill) in September. Please contact Natalie Stothart or Denise Merrell to discuss alternative payment options or any questions about the trips. Permission slips, final cost information and release forms will be sent home at a later date.

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### **Senior Retreat at Holiday Valley**

A leadership retreat for the senior class will be held at Holiday Valley in Ellicottville, NY. On this overnight stay, your daughter will participate in Holiday Valley's Sky High Adventure ropes course.

Departure from SEM: Tuesday, September 4 at 5 PM  
Return to SEM: Wednesday, September 5 at 2 PM  
Estimated Cost: \$120

### **Junior Trip to Food Bank of WNY**

The Food Bank of WNY provided more than 12.4 million meals to the Buffalo community last year and SEM would like to join this year's effort. The junior class will work together to sort and repackage food in their Buffalo warehouse.

Departure from SEM: Wednesday, September 5 at 8:30 AM  
Return to SEM: Wednesday, September 5 at 2 PM  
Estimated Cost: \$15

\*The junior class will also engage in a 3-day overnight leadership retreat in April, 2019. More details to come.

### **Sophomore Orienteering Trip**

The sophomore class will be orienteering at Chestnut Ridge Park in Orchard Park, NY. Using a compass and a map, students will navigate their way together, exploring the park.

Departure from SEM: Wednesday, September 5 at 8:30 AM  
Return to SEM: Wednesday, September 5 at 2:30 PM  
Estimated Cost: \$15

### **Freshman Canoe Trip**

Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper will guide a canoe trip for SEM through the unique industrial beauty of the Buffalo River. Students will see Buffalo in a whole new way!

Departure from SEM: Wednesday, September 5 at 8:30 AM  
Return to SEM: Wednesday, September 5 at 2:30 PM  
Estimated Cost: \$42