GORE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents of Gore Gifted and Talented Students,

Beginning last year, we created a Gifted and Talented Senior Travel Club. Membership is voluntary, but required for those students interested in traveling to Washington, D.C., during their senior year. The trip to Washington, DC is usually five days and four nights and includes tours of historic sites and museums such as the White House, Pentagon, and Arlington Cemetery.

Some funding will be provided through the district, but beginning last school year, Gifted students in 9th-11th grade who wish to be in the Washington, D.C. Travel Club are required to pay yearly dues or participate in fundraising to offset the cost of increased travel, lodging and entry fees.

The following club dues will need to be paid or fundraised each year:

9th grade \$25 10th grade \$50

11th grade \$100

12th grade \$200

Students qualifying for the gifted program *after* the 9th grade who want to participate in the Travel Club will be required to pay dues that would have been incurred in prior years. In other words, a 10th grade student qualifying for GT for the first time will be required to pay \$50 + \$25 to bring their account up to the current required amount. In lieu of paying dues, students can participate in fundraising to offset the dues amount. Seniors are required to pay the \$200 deposit AND participate in fundraising. Again, **this is not mandatory to participate in the Gifted and Talented program**. This is a separate club with the goal of taking students to our nation's capital their senior year.

Students who do not pay dues two years in a row or raise an equal amount in fundraising will forfeit their club membership. Only students who are in the Gifted and Talented program prior to their senior year will qualify for club membership.

Please contact me with questions at 918-489-5587.

Sincerely,

Nancy Kunsman, Gore GT Coordinator