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Dear Parents & Guardians,

It's Move- Up Week! We have many special trips and activities planned for R students, with a special focus on helping the oldest students in each level – Kindergarten, 3rd, 6th, 8th – feel ready for smooth transitions to next year.

So.. on Tuesday, May 21, the Renaissance Academy 3rd - 5th graders get to go to Chicago to experience The Chicago River Boat Architecture Tour with Wendella Tour! Adding to the experience, the students will travel to Chicago by train and visit Millenium Park. Wow!

Students may wear school uniform and comfortable walking shoes. Students should also bring a fully disposable sack lunch (paper bag, etc. Pack extra as students often like to snack on the train in).

<u>Students should be brought directly to the South Shore Train Station on Carroll Avenue by 8:20 am</u> where the teachers will be waiting to sign them in. Please make sure your child is checked in by the teachers as s/he joins the group. The train to Chicago loads at 8:25 am to leave at 8:30 am.

Students should be picked up at the Carroll Avenue Station at 4:30 pm.

Parents chaperones are invited to join the trip. Adult cost is \$50. Please let us know right away if you would like to fill one of the chaperone spots. We are all looking forward to a fabulous learning day!

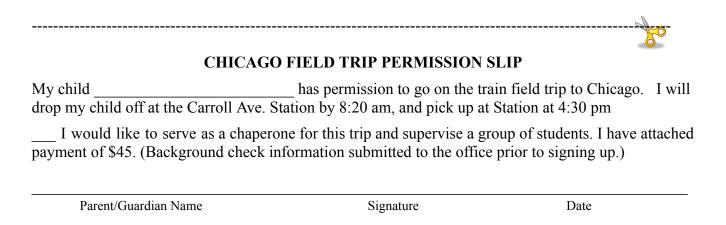
When: Tuesday, May 21, 8:20 am ~ 4:30 pm at Carroll St. Train Station

Where: Chicago Architecture Cruise

Cost: \$50 per chaperone. All adults and students should bring a disposable lunch

Bring: Fully disposable sack lunch

Dress: Regular uniform required





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Chaperone Policy

Field trip chaperones serve an important role as guides and supervisors during our educational outings. As a chaperone, please set aside distractions and engage with the group and the experience. With this in mind, younger children or siblings from other classes are not welcome on field trips. Only one adult per family is allowed to chaperone. When transporting students, chaperone drivers are expected to avoid distractions, follow all laws, and drive safely.

Chaperones are leaders and role models on field trips. Chaperones are expected to set good examples, follow all rules and expectations, as well as the field trip plan and directions of the teacher / leader; smoking or vaping, is prohibited.

Chaperones are generally assigned specific students to have in their supervision, and sometimes given specific activities to do. Still, we always need every chaperone to help keep an eye out and jump in when necessary to direct any student. As we teach at school - be an upstander, and if you see something, say something. An important part of field trips is the process of students learning how to behave appropriately, be polite and respectful, pay attention, learn from their surroundings, and interact with the world. Sometimes parents feel it's difficult to correct another person's child, or even their own, in front of their friends, teacher or another adult, but we need your help upholding our high standards for student behavior and keeping all R children safe. It takes a village!

We appreciate your help. Together, we make a great team. Thank you, chaperones!