



April 2008  
Dear Parents;

Time rapidly is approaching for our Space academy trip. Before we go we would like to tie up some loose ends. Students are to be at school by 4:45am on Sunday , May 4 for a 5:00am departure. We **MUST** leave on time. We must check the students into their rooms, have medicines checked in, and have them assigned to their groups before dinnertime. We ask parents not to park in the main parking lot, but to park in the Rosemont lot. The buses need to have a clear path in and out of the main parking lot. If you are not picking up your child on Friday, one of the chaperones must have a note with the name and phone number of that person who will have that responsibility.

Please make sure your children pack some warm clothes. Their rooms are cold at night. Short shorts and pants/shorts that hang below the hips are unacceptable. Spaghetti straps, bare midriffs, and tee shirts with inappropriate sayings are also not allowed. Students should have a pair of gym type shoes for training activities. Flip-Flops and open backs are unsafe and may not be worn for everyday use. Make sure your child takes a **combination lock**. We must have that combination in case he/she forgets it.

If your child needs to take medication on the bus as noted in the shs medical update, please send instructions and times for the doses of medication, so we can help monitor. If there are updates on specific allergies that we need to be aware of, please include that in the note. We would like that note the week of 4/28.

For the Bus:

- No Gum
- No Snacks (provided by the parent group)
- No Extra Drinks ( water provided by parent group)
- Lunch should be labeled ( it will be collected)
- No DVD players or laptops
- No electronics costing more than \$100
- Label everything (all electronics stay on the bus)
- Cell phones will be turned off on the bus on the way to space academy. Students will make a quick call to home upon arrival at Space Academy. On the way back, cell phones will be turned on when we are within 2-3 hours of Chicago. We should arrive in the parking lot around midnight.

Students will need to pack a **lunch** for Sunday. Extra water will be available, but students should bring their own **water bottle** for the beginning of the trip. In addition, students will need money for dinner on the return trip on Friday.

When the bus is about an hour away from school, we will call a Room Parent to begin the phone tree. Please **,do not be late**. They are tired and excited because of the very long and demanding week. If you will not be at your contact number after 10:00pm on Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, it is very important that you let one of the Room Parents know where you can be reached.

There will be reports and pictures on the SHS website. Chaperones will be staying at the Huntsville Marriott, which is located next to Space Academy training center, phone #256-830-2222. If there is an emergency before our departure, you may reach Mrs. Fowler outside of school at 847-573-1675. Please pray for a safe and enriching experience for all involved.

With warm regards,  
Ms. Dahlen, Mr. Brian East, Mrs. Fowler, Ms. Lampic, Mrs. Pond

