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Hello WCSD Families,

We regret to inform you that we are cancelling our 7th Grade trip to Boston. We believe that this is the most responsible course of action to take in lieu of everything that is happening with the coronavirus (COVID-19). We have been running this trip for the past 10 years, and at no time prior have been faced with such a difficult set of circumstances.

EF Tours is the operator for the trip, and in speaking with them we do not believe that rescheduling the trip will be a feasible option for this school year. This of course leaves us with the concern about the money you have invested towards this experience. For those of you who have elected to purchase the Anytime Protection Insurance Plan through EF Explore America, you will be able to receive a monetary refund.

For those who did not elect to purchase the insurance we have a couple of options. One of the options involves a travel voucher from EF Tours in lieu of this scheduled trip. These travel vouchers will be valued at the amount of money paid at the date of cancellation. Each travel voucher can be exchanged for a new trip (of equal value) at any point in time between the time of issue and September 30, 2022. This means that the vouchers can be applied towards the 2021 Washington DC Tour. Vouchers are also completely transferable, and can be transferred up until the September 30, 2022 deadline.

The second option is the standard cancellation policy which allows families a refund less 50% of the Program Fee. Any additional Insurance purchased is still considered a non-refundable fee.

EF Tours will be e-mailing families directly. **Please respond to EF directly with your preferences** as requested by EF Tours.

Once we are confident that we have enough detail to share with you we will convene an information night to share these details with you.

In the meantime, if you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely

Terrence A. Thompson Principal, Wappingers Junior High School

The mission of the Wappingers Central School District is to empower all of our students with the competencies and confidence to challenge themselves, to pursue their passions, and to realize their potential while growing as responsible members of their community