

7th October 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: USA trip 20th-26th October 2027

We are delighted to be offering Etonbury Sixth form students the opportunity to visit New York and Washington again in 2027. This trip is open to all students currently in year 12 regardless of their area of study.

This is an amazing opportunity for students to visit subject specific locations in addition to all the famous landmarks we are all so familiar with. This will be the third time we run this trip and past venues have included 9/11 museum, Statue of Liberty, Summit One experience, walking tour of Washington, Central Park and Fifth Avenue, Time Square, Rise NY, Empire State building, Arlington National Cemetery, Holocaust Museum, Museum of African American History and Culture and other Smithsonian centre such as National Air and Space.

Unfortunately, I cannot give you an exact cost until we know the final number of planned attendees. We are working on the cost being Approx. £2,400. Please be aware there will also be additional costs that are not factored into this price. You will need an ESTA visa to enter the States, which is currently £31 and students will be expected to buy their own breakfast and lunches. While this might seem unusual for a school trip, if we were to factor the set cost of this according to the tour company, the price would go up massively and we think that it is better if students pay for what they are actually going to eat. The majority of evening meals are included. Train costs are also not part of this price as the New York and Washington transport systems run with a tap and pay method. Any potential fund raising activities by students will be supported by staff and can help to reduce costs further.

If you would definitely like a place on this trip, we are currently asking for a non-refundable deposit of £150 by the 31st October 2026. A final cost and payment schedule will be sent to you once we have confirmed numbers.

If you have any questions, please email me on wyoung@bestacademies.org.uk

Thanks

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