

# PONAGANSET MIDDLE SCHOOL

TO: Parents of Seventh Graders

FROM: Janet Ragno, Assistant Principal

DATE: September 24, 2008

RE: SEVENTH GRADE NEW YORK CITY TRIP

**Just a reminder** that planning needs to begin for the 7<sup>th</sup> grade New York City Trip, which is scheduled for Friday, June 12, 2009 and will cost \$160.00.

**A \$60.00 deposit is due on Tuesday, October 28, 2008 and the final payment of \$100.00 is due on Tuesday, March 17, 2009.**

Setting aside a weekly or monthly amount will help to make the payment in March much easier. Information packets and permission slips will be distributed to seventh graders on Thursday, October 16, 2008. A parent informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 22, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Ponaganset Middle School Auditoria.

***TRIP INSURANCE IS AVAILABLE AND INSURANCE PURCHASE IS RECOMMENDED.***

Unless the school removes your child from the trip, Ponaganset Middle School will not be issuing refunds.

***Limited funds have been set aside for financial assistance.***

If you want your child to go on the New York City Trip, but need assistance or to make arrangements for payment, please determine what portion of the trip, if any, that you can afford and contact Mrs. Ragno directly at 647-3361 (ext: 2240), to arrange for assistance. ***Parental request only by October 31st.***

At Ponaganset Middle School, only students who choose not to do all their school work to the best of their ability receive failing grades. All students who have a failing average at the end of the second trimester in two or more subjects will be restricted from the New York City Trip.

Because field trips are a student privilege, we reserve the right to exclude any child whose participation might require a disproportionate amount of supervision and/or interfere with the enjoyment of the field trip by other students. If a child is to be considered for exclusion, it will be based on a joint decision of his teachers and the administration.

It is our hope that providing you with this information far in advance will provide you the opportunity for planning ahead. If you have any questions at this time concerning the trip, please call Mrs. Ragno at 647-9111 (ext: 2240).