



**Eighth Grade Reward Trip  
Universal Orlando's Gradventure  
May 19, 2023**



**To reserve a spot, students must have:**

- **Field Trip Parent Permission Form (completed)**
- **Medical Information Form (completed)**
- **Required Student Information Form (completed)**
- **\$185 trip fee (Exact cash or check made payable to Three Oaks Middle)**

**Sign-ups:** Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:20am in the cafeteria. Students will line up along building 7 by the courtyard beginning at 9:20am. No need to arrive at school early; students may take their normal transportation to school. Spots will be available for students on late buses. **The trip is FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED, but we will place students on a waiting list. Students on the waiting list may receive a spot for the trip IF/WHEN SPOTS BECOME AVAILABLE.**

**Price:** The price for the trip is \$185. This includes admission to BOTH Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure, dinner at the park, charter bus transportation, eighth grade t-shirt, friends, fun, and staff chaperones. Payment must be **EXACT cash**, check, or money order made payable to Three Oaks Middle School. **No change will be provided!** Annual Passes to Universal can **NOT** be used for this special event.

**DRESS CODE:** Universal has a dress code requirement for this special event. Students will arrive at school wearing the school dress code. Before departing, students will be dismissed to the locker rooms to change into the custom-designed Eighth Grade Gradventure t-shirt and dress code bottoms, cargo shorts/pants that are dress code color, solid black leggings or joggers, or standard blue jeans that are past knee or longer (no tears, rips, holes). The Eighth Grade Gradventure t-shirt must be visible at all times while in the parks. No athletic shorts, ripped jeans, or hats allowed. **Gradventure will allow small purses and drawstring backpacks in the park; however, bags and loose items are not permitted on the rides and must be stored in a locker or with a non-rider.** *Students must wear dress code clothes to school and change prior to the departure of the trip.*

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Passing cumulative grade of 60% or above in all core academic classes (Math, Science, Language Arts, Reading, and Social Studies) for the 2022-2023 school year
- no more than 18 unexcused absences for the 2022-2023 school year
- no more than two referrals for the 2022-2023 school year
- no level three, four, or five disciplinary or bullying, petty theft, and harassment offenses, Administrative Hearings, or assignment to Success Academy during the 2022-2023 school year
- \*administration has final discretion to remove students from the trip for discipline, academic, or safety concerns.

**Applicable refunds will only be issued for replacements until March 17, 2023. After that date,**

**NO money will be refunded unless students remain on the waiting list. There will be no exceptions to this policy.**

**DEPARTURE/RETURN:** May 19, 2023 is a regular school day and **students MUST be in attendance for the entire school day.** The buses will depart Three Oaks Middle School at approximately 1:00 PM on Friday, May 19, 2023. The buses will return to TOMS at approximately 4:00AM the next morning, Saturday, May 20, 2023. There will be no drop off at any other location. **ALL PARENTS MUST PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION HOME FROM THREE OAKS MIDDLE SCHOOL AT 4:00 AM.** Students will NOT be allowed to walk or bike home.

**\*The school gates will be locked. Parents will need to wait in the Three Oaks Community Park or Three Oaks Shopping Plaza parking lots until the charter buses arrive back to school and gates are opened. Parents may then pull into the parent pick-up area while buses unload on the bus ramp. Students will walk to the front of the school for parent pick-up.**

**CHAPERONES:** One chaperone will accompany a pre-designated group of students to Universal. Due to safety, only teachers and staff of Three Oaks Middle chaperone the students, as these individuals are familiar with most eighth grade students attending the trip, as well as with the policies and procedures of the Universal Gradventure event.

**COMMUNICATION IN PARK:** While in the park, students will communicate with their group members and chaperones using the “**Group Me**” app. All students with smartphones are required to download the free app on their smartphone and create a user name prior to the trip by May 5<sup>th</sup>. The user name for each student should be first name and last name (EX: TaraWilliams). This will allow members of the Three Oaks Middle group to easily identify the student on the app.

**ILLEGAL ACTIVITY:** In the unfortunate event that any student engages in illegal activity while at Universal, their parents or guardians will be notified by telephone and will be required to drive to Universal and pick up the child. The student WILL NOT return on the bus. **There will be no exceptions to this policy.**