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## Reminders for New York City Bus Trip

The buses will depart from the Patuxent Building, 23150 Leonard Hall Dr, Leonardtown promptly at 6:00am on Saturday, December 14, 2024. Please arrive at 5:30am to check in with our trip supervisors. There will be 3 buses and participants are assigned to the bus by their registration date/time. We expect to arrive in NYC at approximately 11:30am. We depart NYC promptly at 7:00pm with an expected arrival time of 12:30am (Sunday, December 15, 2024) in Leonardtown. Buses will NOT wait for late arrivals. Please arrive 30 minutes prior to the departure times from Leonardtown and NYC to allow time to check in.

Check the weather conditions for NYC prior to departure and plan your dress appropriately for outdoor activities. Visiting NYC involves lots of walking—appropriate footwear and clothing are needed!

The trip does not include any scheduled events. You are free to explore the city and plan your own itinerary. Please keep in mind that the arrival time in NYC may be affected by traffic and weather. Past participants have gone shopping, attended a Broadway show, and visited attractions such as museums, art galleries, the Statue of Liberty, the 9/11 Memorial Site, Times Square, and Radio City Music Hall.

NYC's Guide-https://www.nycgo.com/

87 Best Attractions in New York-<u>https://www.timeout.com/newyork/attractions/new-york-attractions</u> Radio City Music Hall - <u>https://www.msg.com/radio-city-music-hall</u> 9/11 Memorial Museum- <u>https://www.911memorial.org/</u> The Empire State Building- <u>http://www.esbnyc.com</u> Check the cost of tickets online, it varies upon the observation floor and other options. <u>http://www.esbnyc.com/buy-tickets</u> Statue of Liberty- http://www.nps.gov/stli/index.htm

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Suggestions to make your trip more pleasant:

- Bring a cell phone and a portable battery
- Money for a return trip home (in case you miss the bus)
- Backpack for snacks and other belongings on the bus ride
- Small pillow, eye mask, headphones, earplugs, small blanket for the bus
- Bring a DVD rated PG-13 or less to share with the bus riders

Keep in mind, your bags will need to fit in your seat or above your seat. There is no reserved seating, seating is on a first come, first seated. If you want to be seated with your friends or family arrive early and line up for seating. Late arrivals may not be able to have a "choice" seat. You may leave items on the bus; however, neither Recreation and Parks NOR Keller Bus is responsible for items in your absence. Please only leave non-monetary items, ensure you take all monies and electronics with you.

## It is customary to tip the bus drivers as they will do their absolute best to ensure everyone has a wonderful time!

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