



discovering your potential

February 28, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians of Educators Rising Members,

We would like to take this opportunity to tell you about a fantastic opportunity for your student. South High Educators Rising is sponsoring a trip to the National Educators Rising Conference in Washington D.C. The dates are tentatively set for June 27th through July 2nd. We **plan** on flying nonstop on Southwest Airlines. The departure and return times have yet to be determined. The conference will include workshops, competitions, and supervised social gatherings with Educators Rising members from across the county. There will be an opportunity for students to network with these young people and listen to speakers which will hopefully motivate them to pursue a career in education.

The estimated cost is \$1170 per student. There will be 4 students per room plus money to buy meals, souvenirs, additional spending money, and other incidentals. Fundraisers will be available to help offset the remainder of the cost. **A deposit of \$200 is due by March 20th, 2024, to hold a spot for the trip. There will be no refunds of deposits made after March 31st, 2024. All additional payments are due on the due dates, unless other arrangements have been made.**

The next deposits will be due:

- \$200 = April 15th**
- \$200 = May 4th**
- Any remaining balance = May 20th**

The estimated \$1170 includes:

- *Save my spot deposit \$200 (removed from total price)**
 - *Conference fees which will include 2 lunches \$350**
 - *Flight \$375**
 - *5 nights' accommodations at Marriot Marquis, Washington DC \$445**
- This price is for 4 students to a room, 2 to a queen size bed.
If your student would like their own bed, the price would be an additional \$445.

The package does not include:

- *5 Breakfasts, 4 lunches, 4 dinners**
- *Souvenirs or other purchases**
- *Subway pass and additional sight seeing**

We will offer fundraising opportunities to help your student earn money for their trip. All fundraising is completely optional. If you have fundraising ideas, please let me know. We are always open to new ideas!

We look forward to taking your student to the conference with us; it has always been a great experience. If you have any questions, Samantha Koehler can be reached at (531) 299-9227 or Samantha.Koehler@ops.org.

For students who are attending, there will be a mandatory PARENT/GUARDIAN meeting on Wednesday, February 28, 2024.

Time and classroom location will be determined at a later date.