



Dear Parents/Guardians:

The **seventh-grade** trip to **Busch Gardens (Tampa)** is scheduled for **Friday, May 21, 2027**. Buses will leave Gamble Rogers at approximately 7:00 on the morning of the 21st and return at approximately 9:30 p.m.

The cost of the trip is **\$185.00 per student**, which includes admission to the park, transportation by charter bus, a light snack on the bus, a meal voucher for use in the parks, and a Gamble Rogers Middle School t-shirt, which must be worn at all times during the trip. Optional spending money is needed for additional meals and any extras. **(Busch Gardens does accept season passes as admission to this event.)**

You can secure your student's spot on the trip with a \$50 non-refundable deposit (Due by October 1st or while seats remain). Deposits and payments can be made online via **School Pay** or with cash/check. Additional payments are refundable until March 1st, 2027. At that time, tickets and buses will be purchased, so NO refunds will be possible. **Please see the reverse side for payment information.**

There are 200 tickets available for this trip. After the initial 200 spots have been filled, students will be placed on a waiting list. Due to limited seating, we can only take 7th grade students on this trip. We are unable to take parents or guardians. GRMS staff will chaperone this trip.

This experience is a vital part of the Positive Behavior Support program. To be eligible for this field trip, students must meet the following criteria:

- **No level IV offenses at any time**
- **Behavior expectations: no OSS after quarter 1, or no more than 2 days of ISS for the year after Quarter 1**
- **Grade expectations: must be passing all courses with a 60% or higher**
- **Attendance: no more than fifteen (15) unexcused absences during the 26-27 school year. Excused notes must be turned in within 48 hours of the absence**
- **No outstanding fines with the district**

Once registered, your child will be added to a Schoology group which will be updated regularly as we get closer to the day of the trip. The page will contain all the need-to-know information regarding the trip.

Students attending the trip will be required to adhere to the school-wide dress code and behavior traditions. **While in the park, students are required to travel in groups of 3 or more and meet their chaperone at the required check-in times and locations.**

We look forward to the trip and having our seventh graders enjoy a fun-filled event!

Please contact Ms. Massey with any questions.

Rhonda.crooms-massey@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Sincerely,

GRMS Admin and 7th Grade Team

Scan here to register and make your initial deposit:



Or use the link:

<https://schoolpay.com/pay/for/7th-Grade-Busch-Gardens-Deposit--NON-REF/Scqsdzl>

This link is good for the non-refundable deposit only. A new link will be sent for remaining payments prior to October 1st.

If you prefer to pay by check or cash, please contact Ms. Massey at:

rhonda.crooms-massey@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Payment Amount	Due Date	Balance
\$50 Deposit (Non-refundable)	October 1, 2026 or until seats are filled	\$135
\$27	November 2, 2026	\$108
\$27	December 1, 2026	\$81
\$27	January 5, 2026	\$54
\$27	February 1, 2026	\$27
\$27	March 1, 2026	\$0