

Trip Sign Up Directions

Day trips are scheduled throughout the year, usually on Wednesday. The HHH passenger bus accommodates 28 residents and staff as needed. Preliminary bus sign-up is important because of the limited seating. The procedure is as follows:

1. Description and details of the trip are published in News & Previews.
2. Sign ups occur on Monday of the week **before** the trip date. In the Programs alcove at H, in the South Wing at HH.
3. Residents enter their names on the form provided and place it in the box.
4. Same households residents can use one sign up slip. Friends should note who they are traveling with. If there is no cost involve, one slip can be used.
5. On Tuesday morning the Programs Department draws names from the box (lottery system) and creates a bus list.
6. The bus list, along with a waiting list, if necessary, is posted on the bulletin board on each campus and website.
7. To cancel a reservation, call the Programs office as soon as possible so those on the waiting list can be notified in the order they are listed. In some instances cancelations may result in you being charged.

Trip Levels

In order to make it clear for residents and staff as to the physical requirements of certain trips, we have come up with a three level rating system. It is our hope that one can assess their physical abilities compared to the criteria listed within the rating system and make an informed decision to sign up for that particular trip. If the Programs staff has safety concerns with people that have signed up for a trip, they will consult with Rehabilitation and Home Health Nursing for professional recommendations. The Director of Programs will be in conversation with individuals that have raised a red flag for safety. Must be cognitively independent enough to manage a schedule that involves free time unsupervised, as well as meeting at certain gathering spots at specific times. Ordering off a menu and paying for meals on your own as well as independent overnight in unfamiliar spaces. All residents must have a signed BUS TRIP waiver on file.

Level 1: EASY Easiest physical trip. On and off the bus, (may use lift if can't manage the stairs). Limited walking to/from point of destination. We will drop off as close as we can to destination, but resident is expected to independently get to/from drop off point. Typically safe for walkers and scooters, but space is limited on 28 passenger bus and we can only accommodate one scooter. Scooter must be one that can be safely secured on the bus. Existing lottery system will be used to determine scooter spot availability.

Level 2: MODERATE On and off the bus more than once, must be able to do inclines or possible stairs as defined by the destination. (In some cases, bathroom may not be on the same level with no elevator.) Some walking, may use walker if destination is accessible. Not suitable for scooters due to safety requirements.

Level 3: DIFFICULT Most Difficult. On/off the bus frequently at various destinations. Lots of walking, uneven terrain, may have to climb up/down an incline, may have to do a flight of stairs. Must be able to walk independently as defined by destination. Not safely suitable for walkers or scooters due to safety requirements. May be on your own with out staff attending (drop off/pick up).