



Islip Science Olympiad

PARENT LETTER FOR COLUMBIA INVITATIONAL 2018

Time of Departure: 4:00AM

Students should arrive at 3:45AM to assist loading the bus in the morning. Students should bring a light breakfast. We will have snacks (chips and mini-muffins) and water for the students for the bus ride and while we are at the competition. We will be taking a coach bus on our trip to Columbia High School (962 Luther Road, East Greenbush NY).

Students are expected to dress appropriately for the trip (i.e. long-sleeved shirts, winter jackets, pants, gloves, hats, etc.). The wind and temperature forecasts for tomorrow are quite concerning. While it is unlikely to happen, students should come prepared should anything happen to the bus in transit. A blanket is recommended for the bus ride should the bus be cold on the way. While in theory we will be inside for the majority of the day, frostbite will set in very quickly at these conditions tomorrow, so please come prepared. That includes an overnight bag just in case we are caught upstate due to any unexpected weather-related conditions.

A pizza lunch will be provided. Students are encouraged to bring cash (~\$20), as we will be stopping for dinner on the way home after the award ceremony. The award ceremony is predicted to end around 5:30pm.

Approximate Time of Arrival at Islip High School: 9:30PM

Students will text their parents on the way home to provide a better approximation of when we will be returning to the high school. Students again will need to assist with unloading the bus before they can leave for the night.

If there are any questions or concerns, my cell phone number has been provided in the Remind message that accompanied this letter.