

June 2018 marked my 17th consecutive trip to Washington D.C. with students from U.M.S., including the final 10 years in charge of the trip. After the June 2018 trip, I turned over the leadership of the D.C. trip to Stephanie Hart, a 7th grade Science teacher at U.M.S., and Ryan Williams, an 8th grade Language Arts teacher at U.M.S. I have had the honor of taking over 1500 students to Washington D.C. throughout that time, and it has been both a tremendous privilege and a great responsibility. I am ready to enjoy a stress-free end of the school year and first couple of weeks of summer. Stephanie and Ryan chaperoned the June 2018 trip with me and I will be working closely with them to provide as smooth of a transition as possible, while yet giving them the freedom to make any changes that they would like. 6th grade students will now first hear about the trip at the beginning of their 7th grade school year rather than in my 6th grade computer class.