

Teen Civil Rights Journey FAQ Sheet

Who Is Sponsoring this Journey?

The program is sponsored by the Worcester Black-Jewish Alliance (WBJA), which is a partnership of the Jewish Federation of Central Massachusetts, the Worcester NAACP and the Worcester Black Clergy Alliance.

Who is the Tour Provider?

Etgar 36 (www.etgar.org) is a pluralistic, nonpartisan and nonprofit educational venture based in Atlanta which runs civil rights and social justice themed trips. While a Jewish organization, Etgar 26 runs trips for interfaith and non-Jewish groups as well as Jewish groups.

When is the Journey?

April 15-17, 2019. We will fly from Logan Airport in Boston on Monday morning, and return in the evening on Wednesday.

Where will the Journey visit?

The Journey will visit the cities of Atlanta, Georgia, and Birmingham, Selma and Montgomery, Alabama. We will visit sites of historical significance to the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950's and 1960's such as: the Leo Frank Site, Ebenezer Baptist Church, Dr. Martin Luther King Center, Names Project/AIDS Quilt (Atlanta); the Equal Justice Initiative's Legacy Museum and Lynching Memorial, the Freedom Riders Exhibit, Rosa Park Museum, the Edmund Petus Bridge (Selma); Freedom Park, 16th Street Baptist Church (Birmingham).

Who Is Invited to Participate?

High school juniors and seniors from the African American and Jewish communities of central Massachusetts are our primary target audience for this Journey. Other interested teens are invited to participate as well.

What is the Cost of the Journey?

We anticipate that the Journey will cost \$900-\$1,000. We will not know the exact cost until November, when the airlines announce their fares.

What is Included in the Cost of the Journey?

Pricing includes roundtrip airfare from Boston to Atlanta, all ground transportation, hotels, admission and programming costs, meals (starting with Monday dinner and ending with Wednesday lunch). Meals on the Journey consist of entree and drink only; appetizers and desserts are extra. Snacks and spending money for souvenirs or gifts are not included.

Hotel accommodations are based on four same-sex students per room.

What are the Deadlines?

November: As soon as we hear from the airline, know the cost of the ticket and the total cost of the journey, we will post the information.

December 15: Deadline for submitting application with a \$400. Please make out the check to Federation-WBJA.

January 25, 2019: Deadline for submitting balance.

Are There Scholarships Available?

We are working to raise money to provide subsidies for deserving teens who cannot afford the full cost of the Journey. We invite all who would like to support this effort to send a check to "Federation- WBJA" and send to the Jewish Federation, 633 Salisbury St., Worcester, MA 01609. Contributions are tax-deductible.

How Do I Apply?

Please submit a completed application with a \$400 deposit made out to Federation-WBJA and send to: Jewish Federation, 633 Salisbury St., Worcester, MA 01609

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