<u>WRHS Music Dept. Trip to Orlando 2026</u> Info at a Glance

- Dates: Thurs. March 12-Mon. March 16, 2026
- The price of the tour is ~ \$2,580 per student, which *includes* airfare. We are hopeful that the actual airfare will come in less, and consequently lower the overall cost of the trip.
- Our travel company, Educational Discovery Tours (EDT), will handle every phase of the trip. This
 company has come highly recommended by many schools and student travel industry leaders.
 Plus, this will be our 5th trip with them and 3rd to Orlando. Together we have designed a trip
 that will not only be a fun, milestone opportunity for our students, but also a solid educational
 experience designed to support the goals of our programs.

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- To get started, please review the Registration Flier for trip details. Parents/Guardians will need to create an online account with EDT by registering your child using this <u>LINK</u>. As a reminder, potential parent chaperones are asked to first fill out this <u>application</u> and hold off on registration.
- Once an online account has been created, parents can proceed with booking traveler(s) and submitting the initial \$200 deposit online. The registration due date is Dec 20, 2024. Travelers who register without a deposit, will not be considered confirmed. They will be put on a waitlist and confirmed once the deposit arrives. More info can be found on this 15 minute video where we tackle a lot of FAQ's (frequently asked questions). The highlights are below but we encourage everyone to watch it, especially new families.

All deposits and payments are non-refundable

Some families will wish to use their personal accounts and fundraising money. Please follow the procedure below (<u>band students only</u> - orch and choir will communicate separate instructions):

- 1. After you receive your statement from EDT, email bandaccounts@waruband.org for a balance check and request to pay. Be sure to request this by the 10th of each month and put your amount requested to be used in the email.
- 2. Our band treasurers, Mrs. Elliot and Winter, will check balances, compile a list of all requesting payment from band accounts and send to Mr. Chaffee.
- 3. A school check will be cut in the amount of all requesting use of band accounts.
- 4. The list of everyone included in the check, each month, will be published via Slack so families know their payments were sent. **School checks will not be cut in June or July. Payments will be held in accounts and sent in August. EDT is aware of this and will expect bulk payments from the school at that time. At any point, families may contact EDT to inquire about accounts.
- EDT strongly recommends purchasing travel protection for the trip. Travel protection can be purchased, at additional cost, through <u>Travel Insured</u>, a reputable company that offers trip insurance for student groups.
- Working Itinerary with trip highlights and info
- The tour company will handle all billing and inquiries. Invoices will be emailed monthly as
 payment reminders to the parent/guardian who created the online account. Payment options
 include logging into your online account to pay with an e-check, mailing a check/money order to
 EDT or calling EDT at 1-800-544-4723 to make a credit/debit card payment. <u>Do not</u> make
 payments to the school.
- More info can be found using the <u>Music Department Travel</u> link on <u>www.waruband.org</u>

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns:

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