

Navy 250 Band Trip – Itinerary

Freedom High School, Bethlehem, PA → Philadelphia/Camden, NJ
Sunday–Monday (1 night)

Sunday

- **8:30 AM** – Arrive at **Freedom High School** to load buses
 - **9:00 AM** – Depart **Freedom High School** (Bethlehem, PA) via **Perkiomen bus**.
 - **10:30 AM** – Arrive in **Philadelphia (Old City area)**.
 - Self-guided walking tour of Old City (gpsmycity.com has 2hr tour)
 - **12:30 PM** – Load buses for Lunch at **Reading Terminal Market** (Check <https://readingterminalmarket.org/merchant-category/restaurants/> ahead of time to get a feel for what's available. Check Sunday's hours of operation for places that look good.)
 - **12:45 PM** – Lunch at **Reading Terminal Market** (on your own - bring money).
 - **2:35 PM** – Load buses for **Independence Seaport Museum**
 - **3:00 PM** – Visit **Independence Seaport Museum**
 - **4:30 PM** – Transfer to Camden waterfront.
 - **5:00–6:30 PM** – **Check-in/boarding** USS *New Jersey* (Overnight Encampment).
 - Dinner and evening programming provided by ship staff.
 - **10:00 PM** – Lights out.
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Monday – Parade Day

- **6:15 AM** – Wake up, breakfast aboard ship.
 - **7:45 AM** – Disembark, load buses, head to **Parade Staging Area (20th & JFK, Philadelphia by 8:30 AM)**.
 - **11:00 AM** – **Parade begins**.
 - Route: *Starts 19th & JFK → down JFK Blvd → Juniper St → Market St → Ends at 5th & Chestnut (near Independence Hall).*
 - **1:00 PM (approx.)** – Parade ends. Load buses and travel to get lunch.
 - **1:30 PM (approx.)** – Lunch option ([Pat's](#)/ [Geno's](#) cheesesteaks Check these out ahead of time to decide which restaurant you will choose and how to order).
 - **3:15 PM** – Depart Philadelphia.
 - **5:00 PM** – Return to **Freedom High School** (Bethlehem, PA).
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