

Bernards High School Instrumental Music



Downtown Disney Waterside Stage



2012 BHS Jazz Ensemble Performing @ Downtown Disney

March 23, 2014

Dear Band Parents and Students,

Please read through the following information regarding the upcoming band and orchestra trip to Walt Disney World. We are all looking forward to a safe and exciting journey highlighted by our performances at the Downtown Disney Waterside Stage and the world famous parade at the Magic Kingdom!

Luggage: Once again, Mr. and Mrs. Grey have generously offered to transport our instruments and uniforms to Florida. ***On Wednesday April 2nd***, immediately after school, each student must load their uniforms, instruments and equipment onto the Avis truck directly outside of the chorus room. All students will be given luggage tags to be placed on each individual item. **All uniforms and concert outfits must be in garment bags** with the students name clearly visible on each bag. ***On Friday April 4th***, suitcases will need to be dropped off to the high school band room before 7:45AM. Luggage tags will be provided and are to be placed on each piece of luggage. Students will be dismissed immediately after 6th period (12:20PM) at which time they will be responsible for loading their suitcase onto the bus prior to departure (in addition to their suitcase, students are permitted one piece of carry-on luggage). *Students with 7th period lunch may proceed to the cafeteria but must load and be on the bus by 12:45PM.*

Please note the following baggage guidelines from JetBlue:

Suitcase: Each bag must not exceed 62 inches in overall dimensions (length + width + height) and CANNOT exceed 50lbs. The fee for overweight baggage starts at \$50 per bag.

Carry-on Bag: Carry-on bags must not exceed 26” length, 18” wide, 12” high

Students, please do not pack your ID in the bag you are checking!

The following information is from the TSA regarding carry-on baggage:

“3-1-1 for carry-ons...When processing through a screening checkpoint, each traveler is allowed one bag in order to limit the total volume of liquids, aerosols and gels. Consolidating products into one bag and X-raying them separately from the carry-on bag enables security officers to quickly clear all items. 3-1-1 for carry-ons = 3.4 ounce (100ml) bottle or less (by volume); 1 quart-sized, clear, plastic, zip-top bag; 1 bag per passenger placed in screening bin. One-quart bag per person limits the total liquid volume each traveler can bring. 3.4 ounce (100ml) container size is a security measure. Be prepared. Each time TSA searches a carry-on it slows down the line. Practicing 3-1-1 will ensure a faster and easier checkpoint experience. 3-1-1 is for short trips. If in doubt, consider putting your liquids in checked luggage.”

Loading the truck for departure after our performances: On Monday evening April 7th, after our ensemble performances, we will load instruments and uniforms which will then be transported to the high school, arriving on Wednesday April 9th. Students will be responsible for claiming their uniforms and instruments from the truck either during or immediately after school on Wednesday.

Photo ID: Students must have a valid photo ID for airport security. BHS photo ID's are acceptable for students under 18 years of age. Passengers 18 and over are required to have a U.S. federal or state-issued photo ID that contains name, date of birth, gender and expiration date. [Click here for acceptable forms of ID](#). Please [contact](#) me immediately if you have lost your school ID. I will arrange to have a replacement ready for you in time for the trip.

Rehearsal Schedule: *March 25th:* Marching Band rehearsal 4-5PM/Concert Band 5-6PM. *April 1st:* Marching Band rehearsal 4-5PM/Concert Band 5-6PM.
Mandatory meeting for all students attending the trip, 6-630PM, band room.

Flight Information: DEPARTURE-Friday April 4th load bus and depart BHS @ 1:00PM. Depart Newark on JetBlue Flight #327 at 4:30pm and arrive Orlando at 7:10pm

RETURN: Tuesday April 8th Depart Orlando at 3:21PM on **JetBlue Flight #928** and arrive **Newark at 5:59pm. Arrive Bernards High School at approximately 8:00PM.**

[Click here](#) for TSA flight traveler information.

Hotel Information: [Disney All Star Movies Resort](#)

Meal Information: Students will have time to purchase dinner in the hotel food court Friday evening prior to curfew. Our package includes Disney Dollars for breakfast each morning (Saturday-Tuesday) in the food court (\$10 per day for 4 days) and 4 meal coupons (beverage, main course and dessert @ most counter service restaurants in all of the parks), 1 for each of our 4 days in the parks. [Click here](#) for information on eating with allergies and intolerances in Disney World.

Chaperones/Directors: Mr. Trumpy, Mr. Espineira, Mrs. Connor, Dr. Ferrara, Mrs. Silva, Mr. Grund, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Michael Grey & Mrs. MaryAlison Grey (Transportation).

Items to Remember

- Picture Identification (You can't board the plane without one!) School ID is acceptable. Passengers 18 and over are required to have a U.S. federal or state-issued photo ID that contains name, date of birth, gender and expiration date. [Click here for acceptable forms of ID.](#)
- Music, folder & performance attire-**Clean & Pressed** Gown/Tuxedo (black socks, black concert shoes), marching uniform (coat, trousers, black socks, marching shoes, gloves, cords, suspenders, flag/flag pole)
- Money for lunch and souvenirs, sunscreen, sunglasses
- Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, deodorant, saline/contact cleaning solutions, contact case, extra pair of contacts/glasses)
- Warm weather attire, shorts, T-shirts, walking shoes/sneakers, hat
- Cool weather attire, sweatshirt or light jacket, pants or jeans/sweats
- Cell Phone and charger
- [Click here for JetBlue baggage information and flight restrictions](#); Appropriate sized liquid containers (3.4 oz or less and must fit into clear, plastic, quart size resealable bag) and carry-on bags permitted in plane cabin. No sharp objects! They will be discarded at security. [Click here for list of TSA prohibited item.](#)
- All medications (prescription and over the counter) must be given to the nurse (Mrs. Connor) for distribution as per school policy

*Students, we are only traveling for a few days, please **do not over-pack!***

You are responsible for the loading, unloading and safety of your luggage and instruments.

All school rules apply to Bernards High School field trips. If you are found to be in violation of school policy, disciplinary action will be taken and you may be sent home early with a chaperone at your expense!

Please refer to page 36 of the student handbook ([here](#)) regarding the procedure for making up school work. These trips are anticipated absences, so classwork is due on the day you return. All major assignments must be made up within two days as stated in the procedure.

And remember...you are on a school trip representing your band, school and community. As always, be respectful, courteous and don't forget, your actions, whether positive or negative, will have long term consequences for the band and future trips.

Last thing...HAVE FUN...You have earned it!

Sincerely,

Fred Trumpy