Legacy High School Lightning Marching Band

Ireland 2025

March 13-20, 2025

Final Detailed Schedule and Trip Information for Students and Followers (Share Date: March 2, 2025)

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TRAVEL INFORMATION

Flight Information

Departure (3/13/25-3/14/25)
Denver-Toronto (Air Canada 1040)
11:25AM-4:37PM (3/13/25)
Toronto-Dublin (Air Canada 800)
7:35PM-6:10AM (3/14/25)

Return (3/20/25)
Flight 1/Dublin-Newark (United 22)
9:00AM-12:45PM
Flight 1/Newark-Denver (United 1197)
4:45PM-7:13PM
Flight 2/Dublin-Washington DC (United 229)
11:50AM-4:10PM
Flight 2/Washington DC-Denver (United 495)
10:05PM-11:50PM

Accommodations

Limerick
The Clayton Hotel
Steamboat Quay, Mountkennet, Limerick, V94 H6HN, Ireland
+353 61 444 100

Dublin/Kildare
Lawlor's of Naas
Gleann Na Greine, Naas East, Naas, Co. Kildare, Ireland
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Mullingar, Co. Westmeath N91 PDK7
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W L Whaley - AdvantEdge Tours	see Advantage Tours, Page 2
Jack Yonce - AdvantEdge Tours	see Advantage Tours, Page 2

Emergency Numbers	
Legacy High School	(720) 972-6700
Adams 12 Communication Center	(720) 972-4911
Denver International Airport	(303) 371-0300
Toronto Pearson Airport	+ 1 416-247-7678
Newark International Airport	(973) 961-6000
Washington Dulles International Airport	(703) 572-2700
Dublin Ireland International Airport	+ 353 1 814 1111

See travel information on Page 1 for hotel phone numbers.
If there is an emergency, please leave a message for Dr. Ebert at the hotel desk or call Advantedge Tours or the trip coordinator numbers listed above. Dr. Ebert will check messages as soon as we get to the hotel. He will also instruct the Hotel desk to call his cell phone immediately if there is an extreme emergency.
Please consider the time difference when communicating with your student. Chaperones will be busy monitoring the students and will not have time to be a personal messenger.

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BRIEF SUMMARY OF ITINERARY

Thursday 3/13
- Depart for Ireland
- Flight leaves the gate at 11:25AM
- Layover in Toronto, Canada

Friday 3/14
- Arrive in Dublin, Ireland
- Visit Blarney Castle
- Travel to Limerick

Saturday 3/15
- Cliffs of Moher
- Medieval Banquet at Knappogue Castle

Sunday 3/16
- Depart Limerick for Dublin
- Perform in Kilkenny
- Travel to Dublin

Monday 3/17
- St. Patrick's Day Parade/Dublin

Tuesday 3/18
- Irish Emigration Museum
- Tour Central Dublin
- Dinner at The Spencer Hotel/Dublin

Wednesday 3/19
- Glendalough
- Tour Central Dublin
- Dinner at The Belvedere Hotel/Dublin

Thursday 3/20
- Return to Denver
- Flight Group 1 Departs at 9:00AM/Arrives at DIA at 7:13PM
- Flight Group 2 Departs at 11:50AM/Arrives at DIA at 11:50PM

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TRIP REMINDERS

This trip is for the students and not a family vacation. Students are required to be present at all activities on the trip. Also, any parents traveling on their own will not be able to eat at the destinations with students as there are specific reservations for our group. Many times the followers will also be at different locations for dining. We will not be able to accommodate requests for families to eat with, or participate in the same activities, as their students.

Parents and Followers on the trip should talk to one of the parent representatives if they have questions for Dr. Ebert. The tour company will have representatives assigned to the trip. If parents or followers have questions they may address them to the trip coordinators or the tour representatives.

IMPORTANT:

- In the case of an emergency while in Ireland, and you need emergency services immediately, CALL 112 or 999.

- STUDENTS, BE AWARE OF PEOPLE WHO MAY TRY TO LURE YOU AWAY BY ASKING FOR HELP OR WHO MAY USE OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE TO HELP LURE YOU AWAY FROM GROUPS, ETC. KNOW YOUR SURROUNDINGS.

- DON'T STRAY FROM YOUR GROUPS!!! STAY TOGETHER ALWAYS.

- DO NOT give your cell phone numbers to people you do not know.. DO NOT tell anyone what hotel you are staying at. Keep this information to yourself.

- THERE WILL BE NO DRINKING ALCOHOL ON THIS TRIP. ANY STUDENT FOUND DRINKING ALCOHOL WILL BE SENT HOME AT THEIR GUARDIANS EXPENSE.

- DON'T LEAVE ANYTHING ON THE BUSES.

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PRE-DEPARTURE INFORMATION

- Students remaining in Ireland following the trip have made arrangements with Dr. Ebert regarding their release to parents. See final day itinerary.
- All return flight ride requests/adult verifications for 3/20/25 have been sent to Dr. Ebert. Don't forget that adults MUST come into baggage claim to check their student out from Mr. Tafoya or Dr. Ebert.
- Dress for flight days for STUDENTS AND CHAPERONES is Band Polo Shirt, Khaki pants, and any type of close toed shoe (no flip flops).

- Make sure each item the student takes has an I.D. tag on it.
- Students MUST have their PASSPORT in order to get through security checkpoints and to check in. Passports MUST be signed.
- If students have a frequent flyer number they should have let the trip coordinators know before the trip.
- If you are "checking" your instrument – DO NOT LOCK THEM. TSA will break the locks if they want to look in them. You should use straps as a secondary way to keep your instrument closed in case the latches come undone.
- **Packing Day, Wednesday, March 12th, 2025**
    - Students and Staff will rehearse during 5th Period Combined Class.
    - Following class, percussion and sousaphone students will be excused 6th-8th Periods to pack. All other large-instrument players will report after school to pack their instruments.
    - Uhaul truck arrives at 3:30 to begin loading. Please plan to finish no later than 4:30PM.
    - Make sure the following items are packed and ready to go to the airport: sousaphones, baritones, trombones, mellophones, bass clarinets, tenor saxes, baritone saxes, battery percussion, flags, banner, spare parts, and tool kit.
    - MAKE SURE ALL INSTRUMENTS ARE LABELED, NUMBERED, INVENTORIED, AND HAVE RETURN FLIGHT STICKERS ON THEIR LUGGAGE TAGS.
    - Any chaperone materials: extra uniform parts, socks, shoes, plumes, etc.
    - First-Aid kit
    - Make sure percussion packs sticks, cymbals, etc.
    - Make sure ALL BRASS BEING CHECKED pack their mouthpieces, etc. in their own bags.
    - All students will be responsible for getting their own instruments on the Uhaul truck and making sure all parts are accounted for.

ARRIVING AT DIA FOR DEPARTURE/DROP-OFF

The Uhaul, chaperones, staff, and travel agents will arrive at DIA first to unload and check-in before students and followers begin arriving.

Parents/Guardians will drop off their students and all of their luggage at DIA no later than 8:00AM on Thursday March 13 and will meet us INSIDE Door 612 which is at the WEST Terminal at the drop off area.

Instruments that will be checked will be dropped off at DIA on Thursday morning and checked in by Dr. Ebert.

ARRIVING AT DIA FOR RETURN/PICK-UP

Parents/Guardians must plan to pick up their students at DIA after the band returns on Thursday March 20. There are two return flight groups, so please make sure you know which one your students are assigned. PLEASE PLAN TO COME DIRECTLY TO

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BAGGAGE CLAIM TO PICK UP YOUR STUDENT. Parents/Guardians of students aboard Flight 1 must check their student out with Mr. Tafoya before they will be allowed to leave DIA. Parents/Guardians of students aboard Flight 2 must check out with Dr. Ebert before they will be allowed to leave DIA.

Dr. Ebert must have a note (emails ok) from a parent/guardian if a student plans to ride home with another family (this includes rides home with other chaperones and followers). These emails need to be received before the trip.

STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR TAKING THEIR INSTRUMENTS HOME WHEN WE GET BACK. There will not be a truck to take instruments when we return. Please plan accordingly.

PACKING

- What to Pack
  - Uniform
    - All members should have the following: black socks, marching shoes, band polo/khaki pants, band raincoat, marching bibs, marching jacket, gauntlets, marching gloves, shako (no shako box), and warm base layers, top and bottom. Uniforms will be released to students after practice on Monday March 10, 2025.
  - Instruments
    - All members should have the following: instrument, accessories (reeds, valve oil, slide grease, swabs, mouthpieces, etc.), music, flip folders, and lyres.
  - Clothes
    - Plan for cold and wet weather. Remember that Ireland's latitude is somewhere between Vancouver, British Columbia and Juneau, Alaska. The humidity is very high, and it can be windy. Windchill is a very different experience in Ireland.
    - You will pack your band raincoat and will be allowed to wear it as your raincoat, so you do not need to pack another one).
    - Umbrella
    - 7 or 8 sets of casual (must comply with the school dress code) clothes for the trip. Remember that it can be cold and rainy, so pack warm clothes, jacket, gloves, base layers, beanies, etc. One set of comfortable walking shoes that can withstand the elements. Warm socks.
  - Personal Items
      - Passport
      - Spending money (dollars and Euros)
      - Debit Card or Credit Card
      - Cell phone with charger
      - Camera (if cell is not equipped with one)
      - Wristwatch (recommended)

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- How to Pack
    - Here is the Packing Video.
    - Students should pack their own luggage without help from parents.
    - Do not pack anything that violates school rules and district policies.
    - Leave weight and room for souvenirs for the return flight home.
- Checked Luggage
    - Maximum checked bag dimensions are 63 x 115 inches.
    - Only 1 checked suitcase/bag with name tag attached in plain sight will be allowed, even if you do not check your instrument. This is due to not having enough room on the buses for storage. NO EXTRA BAGS WILL BE CHECKED.
    - To limit/avoid wrinkles, roll your clothes instead of folding them. Specific band uniform folding instructions will be provided to you, but consider rolling your street clothes.
    - Anything that is liquid or that could leak should be packed in a plastic baggie. This includes slide grease, valve oil, shampoo, hairspray, perfume/cologne, contact solution, etc. DO NOT PACK THIS IN YOUR CARRY ON LUGGAGE!
    - Check your liquids when you arrive to make sure nothing has ruptured in your luggage.
    - Lyres should be packed in the checked luggage.
    - DO NOT PACK SMALL INSTRUMENTS IN CHECKED LUGGAGE.
- Carry On
    - Only 1 carry-on backpack and 1 personal item are allowed.
    - NO CARRY-ON SUITCASES.
    - This will be your instrument if you can't fit it in your personal bag/item.
    - Small instruments are: flute/clarinet/alto saxophone/trumpet
    - The personal item must fit under the seat in front of you.
    - Carry your flip folders, reeds, and brass mouthpieces in your personal item.
- Instruments
    - Color code the large instrument cases for the return flight (blue and red stickers). Sticker goes on the AdvantEdge luggage tag.
- Lithium Batteries
    - Devices with Lithium Batteries are NOT allowed in checked luggage and have to be in your carry on bag.

Considerations when packing:

- Do not pack over 50 pounds – YOU WILL BE CHARGED IF IT IS OVERWEIGHT!
- DO NOT bring power strips. This will blow fuses in Ireland.
- Electrical Adapters - You will need to bring an adapter for all devices which require electricity. These can be purchased at many stores that have a travel or luggage section, or on Amazon. Keep in mind that curling irons/curling irons/hair dryers purchased in the United States cannot use these adapters (SEE BELOW).

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- The hotel provides hair dryers. Curling Irons and Flat Irons cannot be used with an adapter *(they require a special transformer to work)*. **DO NOT BRING THESE DEVICES**. If you must have these you will have to buy one in Ireland.
- IT IS NOT RECOMMENDED TO TAKE LETTER JACKETS AS THEY CAN BE RUINED IN THE RAIN. STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO PACK THEIR BAND RAIN JACKETS AND MAY WEAR THESE THROUGHOUT THE TRIP.

TRIP INFORMATION

- Passports
  - Passports must be SIGNED.
  - Chaperones will collect them once we get on our coach buses at Dublin International, and they will have them for the duration of the trip.
- Currency
  - Must alert banks that travelers will be out of the country.
  - ApplePay is a great way to pay for things abroad.
  - Pre-order Euros before the trip; you will need cash and there is no time built in to take care of this upon arrival in Ireland. Research your full-service bank and make sure they offer exchange for Euros if you want to bring cash with you. Also, $100 bills can be extremely difficult to exchange in Ireland, even in the banks. Please do not bring 100 Euro bills. It is recommended that you bring 20s and smaller in Euro currency.
  - Money is needed for the following meals:
    - Thursday 3/13: Breakfast or Lunch (depending on flight – other meals provided on the flights)
    - Friday 3/14: Lunch
    - Saturday 3/15: Lunch
    - Sunday 3/16: Lunch
    - Monday 3/17: All meals are taken care of on this day.
    - Tuesday 3/18: Lunch
    - Wednesday 3/19: Lunch
    - Thursday 3/20: Snacks before flight (breakfast at hotel and other meals on the flight)
  - Students should plan on meals costing between 15 and 20 Euros each.
  - Total recommended amount of cash USD ($60USD) and cash Euro to bring ($140E) for meals, or make sure those amounts are available on a card during the trip. Add an additional $100—$200 for souvenirs/extra expenses.
  - It is the responsibility of each student to budget and spend their money wisely over the course of the trip.
  - All entrance fees are paid.
  - If students have any charges associated with their rooms (which they SHOULD NOT) they will be responsible for paying for those. These fees must be taken care of in a timely manner so that students are not late to the bus.

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    - You may also use a debit card in Ireland to get Euros and there may be time for students to exchange money during layovers or when we arrive in Ireland, but this will not be built into the schedule. You must have a PIN number when using these machines. Also keep in mind you will be paying a service fee from your bank for these transactions. Some banks want to be informed in advance for International Travel.
    - **PUBLIC RESTROOMS ARE NOT FREE! Students need small coins to pay.. Restrooms usually run between 50C and EUR1.**
- Communications/Cell Phones/Carrier Plans
    - All travelers should sign up for an international plan for the time we are in Ireland.
    - You will need to check with your individual provider for international calling, texting and data plans. You will need to be signed up for international calling if you want to make calls on your cell phone. Check with your provider.
    - Students must exchange cell phone numbers with their primary chaperone.
    - Students, Chaperones, Staff, and Followers who are traveling together on the AdvantEdge Tours package will use the Band app to communicate while on the trip. Here is the link: LEGACY/IRELAND 2025
      Please refrain from using it as a social platform so that we can keep the channels of communication clear.
    - Band app says that most people around the world can use their app, except in countries where the app cannot be installed due to Google Play Store or Apple policy restrictions. However, users in those countries can still access the Band app service through the web version at https://band.us
    - Parents and families who remain in the US or who are traveling on their own in Ireland may use this link to sign up for communications: LEGACY/IRELAND PARENTS AND FAMILIES
    - Parents can also join the Facebook and Instagram pages in order to keep up with daily posts. Parents should have a plan in place to communicate directly with their students. Parents will also have chaperone cell numbers in case of emergency.
    - Contact the hotel and leave a message with the Front Desk for Dr. Ebert in case chaperones cannot be reached. You may also send emails to brian.ebert@adams12.org
- Hotels
    - Use key card in hotels to activate the lights and elevators (insert into reader)
    - 1st Floors in European hotels are not the "Lobby"
- AllergiesFood Allergies
    - If your student has any food allergies, these must be reported on the district forms and shared with Dr. Ebert so that we can get a list of these students to the airline and to the places we will eat on the trip.
- Medications
    - Medications must be in original packaging and clearly labeled with students name and date of birth.

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- Customs
    - No stores after border control on the return to USA
    - Make Duty-Free purchases before going through US Customs on the return flight.

THE PARADE

- The Parade
    - The parade starts at noon at the northern edge of Parnell Square, near the Hugh Lane Gallery. It then goes down O'Connell Street, past Trinity College, and on to Dame Street before ending at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The parade lasts about two hours.
- How to View Parade
    - The 2025 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Dublin will be broadcast live on RTÉ One and streamed on RTÉ Player.
    - The parade will also be broadcast on NH Create at 8:30 AM, 2:30 PM, and 9:00 PM on Monday, March 17. This is New Hampshire-based public television.
    - You can also watch a live stream of the St. Patrick's Day parade from Dublin on YouTube.

TRAVEL ETIQUETTE AND TRAVELER EXPECTATIONS

- Purpose of our trip
    - We are here to perform. We need to focus on that task.
    - We are here to enjoy each others' company.
    - We are here to learn about another culture and share our own.
- The band as ambassadors
    - We are representatives of our school, community, state, and country.
    - We will be on our best behaviors at all times.
    - We will be respectful of others.
    - We will show gratitude to everyone we meet.
- District Guidelines for Students, Expectations for Travelers, and Etiquette
    - District Guidelines and Band Student Expectations
        - Policy 1.2 The principal or administrative designee may impose sanctions including suspension or may recommend expulsion of a student who engages in conduct identified in this policy which occurs in school buildings, on school grounds, in school buses or other school owned or operated vehicles, **or while attending school activities or sanctioned event**s.
        - Please refer to District Policy 5000 for the complete Student Code of Conduct.

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    - No weapons, no drugs, no alcohol.
    - No sexual harassment and no bullying.
    - No disrespect of staff, teachers, fellow students, and travelers.
    - Pay attention to all instructions.
    - Do not wander off on your own. Always travel in chaperone groups and always ask permission from a staff member or chaperone to go anywhere as a smaller group (bathroom, food, cashier, etc.).
- Expectations for All Travelers
    - Know the itinerary.
    - Check in with the Band app often.
    - Ask questions if you are uncertain about ANYTHING.
    - Safety is our primary concern. Please follow all instructions. Students, you will travel in your chaperone groups at all times, unless given permission to use the restroom, purchase food, or peruse the gift shop. In these situations students must travel in groups of 3 or more.
    - Followers should communicate with W.L. Whaley or Jack Yonce if there are questions.
- Etiquette
    - Show kindness and gratitude to airline employees, restaurant servers, bus drivers, travel agents and guides, parade organizers, and the general public.
    - Our actions will be observed by a whole variety of people while we are on this trip. We need to be good tourists and understand that we are in someone's elses home.
    - Respect and show appreciation for another culture.
    - Being kind to each other first is the key to having an unforgettable and positive experience.
    - If you want to learn a little Irish Gaelic, click here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gsov9JlhyGU&t=34s

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