



SPRING LAKE HIGH SCHOOL

BAND TRIP TO ORLANDO

JANUARY 30 - FEBRUARY 5, 2019



The Spring Lake High School Band is planning a 7-day trip to Orlando, Florida. We will be departing Spring Lake High School on Wednesday afternoon, January 30, 2019, and returning home on Tuesday evening, February 5, 2019. This is a terrific, fun-filled and educational opportunity for our band students and will be an experience your child will not want to miss.

Highlights of this trip include:

- Participation in a workshop with Disney professionals who will immerse our students into the world of a professional musician. The workshop will culminate in a special recording of part of a Disney feature film with our band playing the music behind it!
- Auxiliation workshop for the colorguard members
- A performance before thousands of spectators in a parade at Disney's Magic Kingdom
- Time in Disney theme parks: Magic Kingdom, Epcot Center, Animal Kingdom, Hollywood Studios
- A trip to Disney Springs (formerly Downtown Disney)
- Universal Orlando – 1 Day, 2 Park Pass to visit Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure
- A performance by the Blue Man Group (subject to 2019 schedule)
- Round trip transportation aboard first-class, air-conditioned, DVD equipped motorcoaches
- First-class accommodations for four nights in the Orlando area – SpringHill Suites, Marriott Village
- Four breakfasts, three dinners, four cash returns, and two Disney meal coupons
- Private night time hotel security
- Group Travel Video Package for each student and directors

This trip is an optional trip open to all 2018-2019 high school band students – marching band, concert band, symphonic band, jazz band and colorguard. Students must be enrolled for the full year of band (except colorguard). **The cost for this trip is \$1,290 per student.** The cost is based on four students to a room, transportation to and from Orlando, all group activities, and all meals in Orlando. Students will need money to purchase meals or food during the bus trip to Orlando and for the bus ride back home. They will also need money for any items they may want to purchase while in Orlando.

The cost for the trip is due in six payments. **The first payment of \$215 and the trip registration form is due by January 5, 2018.** This payment will secure the student's spot for the trip. Note that the first payment is a **NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT** and represents your commitment for the trip. Spring Lake Public Schools must make

payments at set times so that Educational Tours (our travel company) can make reservations and guarantee the events on the trip itinerary.

There will be fundraisers available to assist students in covering the cost of this trip. An e-mail which details upcoming fundraisers will be sent in early 2018. Parents can check the status of their child's account information at charmsoffice.com

The green login button is on the upper right section of the page. Login in as a parent/student. The school code is "slhsband". The password is the school student number. If you have trouble logging in or if you have a question about this, contact Mr. Truszkowski.

Partial trip scholarships may be available through the Band Backers and band department. Student participation in fundraisers, as well as a family's financial need will be determining factors to the amount of scholarship assistance that is given. There is no scholarship money available for the initial trip payment of \$215.

Chaperones are welcome and necessary. Their cost is just slightly less than the student rate and is based on two chaperones per room. Parents interested in serving as a chaperone should contact Mr. Truszkowski via e-mail to be placed on a tentative list. Once a chaperone list has been created, the band directors will choose chaperones.

Students will be assigned to a chaperone group, will have roommates picked out, and will be assigned to a bus and a seat before departure. Each student is expected to communicate with their chaperone during free time and during times when they are away from their chaperone group. Students are also expected to treat their chaperone and all other adults in a respectful manner and comply with all instructions given to them.

Inappropriate behavior WILL NOT be tolerated. All school rules are in effect during this trip. Appropriate disciplinary measures will be taken by the band directors and/or chaperones when required. In the event that a student's behavior necessitates dismissal from the trip, the parent understands that they are responsible for all costs involved in returning their student to Spring Lake and any other expenses incurred due to the student's inappropriate behavior.

While the music that will be performed in the parade will be rehearsed in class whenever possible, there may be additional rehearsals outside of the school day in the weeks prior to the trip. These rehearsals are required for all trip participants.

There will be a mandatory trip meeting in early January of 2019 to review the guidelines and rules, packing lists, travel tips, and more.

Contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,
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