

MHS BAND/CHORUS DISNEY 2023

Parent/Guardian/Student Meeting - April 28, 2022

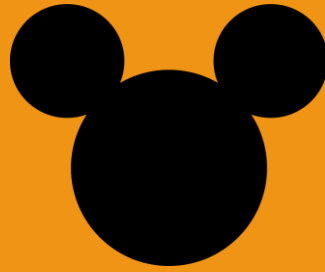
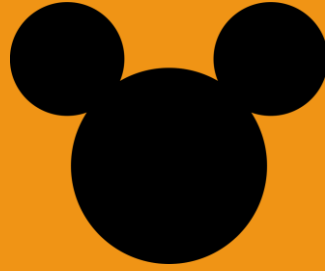


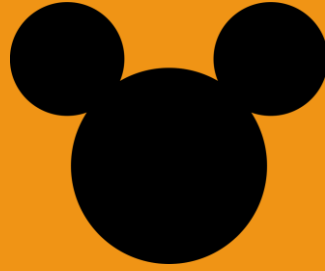
Photo: Disney 2017

Purpose of tonight's meeting



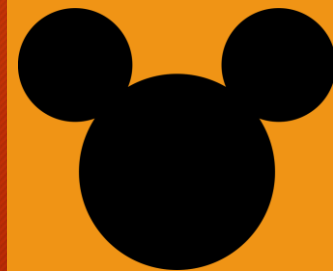
- Provide general information necessary to determine whether a student will participate in Disney 2023.
- Distribute initial forms required if a student plans to participate.
- All information provided at tonight's meeting is provisional and subject to change as plans are finalized.

Meet the planning Committee



- Cheryl Lucas, Danny Lucas: Trip Committee Co-Chairs
- Kerry Healy: Secretary
- Stacey Briggs: Treasurer / Stephanie Gavin (Outgoing Treasurer)
- Denise Donovan: Head Chaperone
- Brenda Waring RN: Lead Nurse
- Alex Reyes and Katrina Cahill: Fundraising Co-Chairs
- Wouter Leeuwis: Webmaster/Communications
- Cindy Blanchard: Choral Director
- Kevin Kozik: Band Director
- Jason Weeks, Becky Alford: Members at Large

Musical Educational Experience

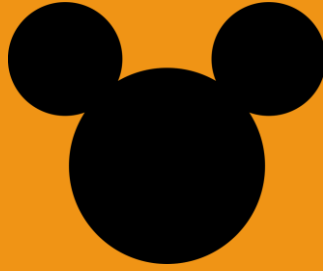


- Performances
- Workshops

Percussion workshop 2017



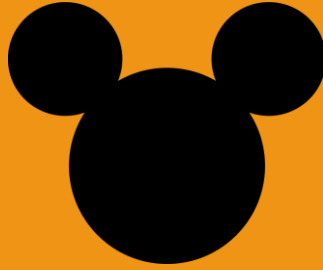
Travel Arrangements



Bill Lacey
Regional Performing Arts Director, WCV



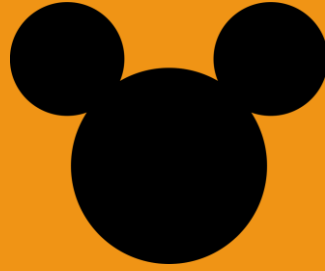
Travel dates



- Departure date Thursday, April 13, 2023
 - Early departure
- Return date Monday, April 17th (week of April vacation)
 - Late day return
- Students will miss 2 days of school and will be held responsible for work missed. These will be considered excused absences.



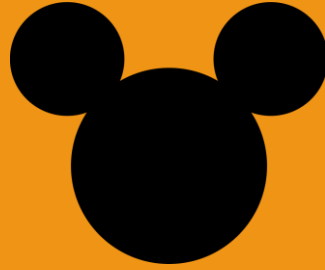
Chaperones, Nurse, Night-time Security



- There will be one chaperone per 8/10 students
- We will have a nurse on the trip to tend to any students in need of health care and to give daily meds
- Night-time security guards will be in place every night to keep the students safe



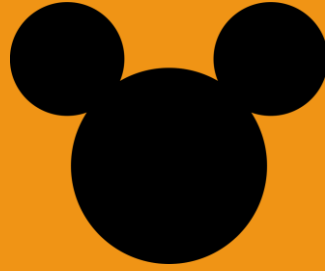
Transportation



- Motor Coach
 - To and from airports
 - Performance venues
- Air Travel - from Providence or Boston
- Disney Transportation while on property

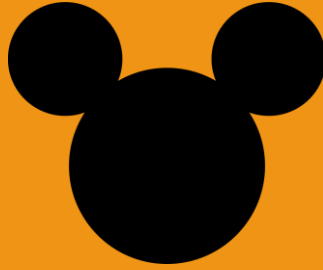


Accommodations



- Disney All Star Movie Resort or similar
- 4 students per room by chaperone group
- Chaperone rooms will be as close to student group as possible
- Group rooms will be consolidated so that the entire group is close together
- Security personnel assigned to overnight watch

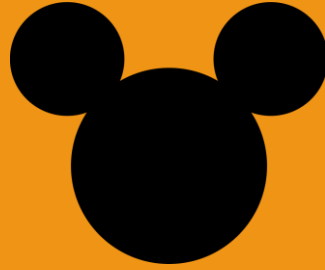
Food



- 5 Disney Dining Cards for breakfast/dinner each day (4 @ \$35 and 1 @ \$25)
- Students will be responsible for their own lunch/snacks.



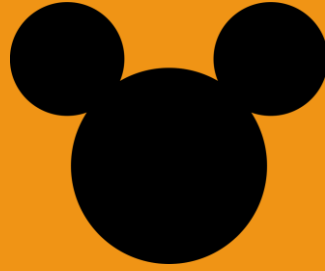
Itinerary



- 5 days, 4 nights
- 2 days dedicated to musical activities
 - Performance (hopefully!)
 - Workshops
- Park time
- Very fast pace, full schedule with very little downtime

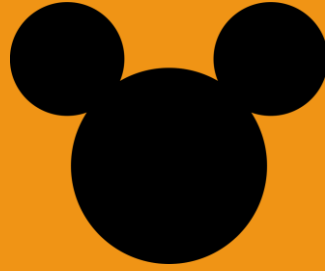


Student requirements



- Academic eligibility - per MHS regulations, includes a minimum grade of 75 or higher in their music performing group
- Discipline eligibility - no major disciplinary issues
- Service points - tracks participation in fundraising activities

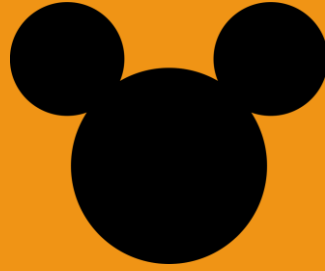
Cost



- Approximately \$2,000 per student, depending on fundraising
- Travel insurance option and “COVID” assurance
- Price will be paid over 3 installments plus a down payment
 - June 2022 - \$200 (down payment)
 - September 2022 - \$550
 - November 2022 - \$550
 - January 2023 (1st week)
 - Final payment will be adjusted by final count and fundraising collections.

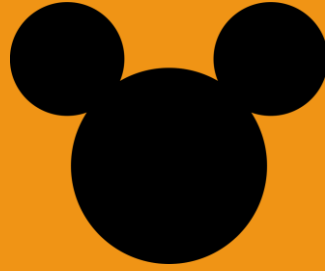


Pay It Forward



- Pay It Forward is a program that's been in place for the last 6 band/chorus trips.
- It provides for scholarship funding to be available in the next trip for eligible students.
- Amount voted on historically was \$25 per person.
- This generally works out to just over 1% of the cost per person.
- Let's vote on this year's amount, which could easily be offset by fundraising!!

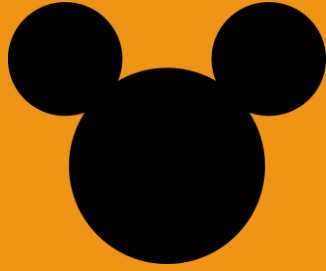
Fundraising (partial list)



- Corporate sponsors
- Family movie nights
- Go Fund Me
- Restaurant % donations
- Lyndell's Thanksgiving pies
- Linens/towels fundraiser
- Script gift card program
- Student "summer" jobs

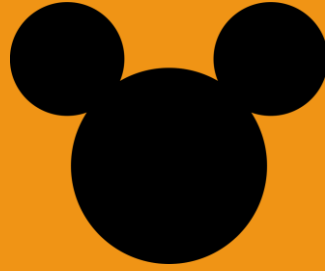
Music students will be expected to fully participate in fundraising for both group and individual events/programs. The more they participate, the lower their cost!!

What we need



- Chaperones - please let us know if interested.
- Subcommittee members to assist as needed throughout our planning and with final preparation.
- Volunteers to help with fundraising.
- For everyone to submit their commitment forms and watch for important information as the details are finalized.

Next steps



- Email questions, concerns to Cheryl Lucas, cheryldanlucas@comcast.net, or Kerry Healy, healyweeks@gmail.com.
- Those interested in chaperoning email Denise Donovan, margo.paris@verizon.net.
- Keep in mind - tonight's info is as close as we can offer it at this time, without knowing the exact number of students participating.
- If your child is already in the MHS Chorus or Band, or in the 8th grade Fowler Band, we can contact you via Aspen. If they will be new to band or chorus next year, please include your email and contact info on the sign-in sheet so we can make sure you get all updates.
- A follow-up parent/student meeting will be held in June to collect commitment form/down payment. After that, there will be a mandatory meeting for music families in early September with final details on the itinerary and pricing.