MHS Band/Chorus Disney Trip April 13 - 17, 2023



Information Packet For Students, Parents and Chaperones

March 2023

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Additional details can be found on our Disney trip web page: <u>Disney 2023 – Maynard Music Association</u>

The web page includes, for example:

- Flight Instructions, Required Identification, TSA Guidelines
- Disney Dietary Information
- Disney Health Services Information
- WCV Promise to You

Important Dates

Mandatory Music Family Meeting:

Thursday, March 23 7:00 - 9:00 pm

MHS Auditorium *Students will meet with their chaperones during this meeting*

Uniform Check:

Wednesday, March 29 5:00-8:00 pm Wednesday, April 5 5:00-8:00 pm

MHS Band room

You MUST go to one of these times fully dressed in your uniform:

- BLACK DRESS PANTS
- BLACK SOCKS
- BLACK DRESS SHOES
- WHITE MAYNARD MUSIC POLO SHIRT SUPPLIED BY SCHOOL
- WHITE UNDERSHIRT (BOYS)/WHITE CAMISOLE or TANKTOP (GIRLS)

Medication Drop-Off:

Friday, April 7 6:30-8:00 pm Monday, April 10 6:30-8:00 pm

MHS Band room

Luggage/Instrument Drop-Off:

Wednesday, April 12 3:00-6:00 pm

MHS Band Room

You will be given blue World Class Vacations (WCV) tags that will indicate name + MHS, 1 Tiger Drive, Maynard, MA 01754, and your assigned Bus – A or B. These should be attached to both your checked luggage and checked instrument.

Flight Departure:

Thursday, April 13 ARRIVE AT MHS AT 12:45 am

Bus leaves MHS at 1:45 am

3:05 am check-in at PROVIDENCE airport for 5:05 am flight

(must arrive 2 hours prior to flight time)

Flight Return:

Monday, April 17 FLIGHT ARRIVES in PROVIDENCE 12:05 am (Tuesday 4/18)

Transfer via bus to MHS – Arrival approx. 2:00 am

^{**}Chaperone / Bus Assignment / Room List is posted in band room**

What to Bring/Travel Instructions

Pack LIGHT:

- 1 carry-on bag (maximum dimensions = 10 inches x 16 inches x 24 inches)
 - PLEASE USE SLING BAG PROVIDED AS YOUR CARRY-ON BAG
- 1 Instrument PLUS mouthpiece, extra reeds, valve oil, etc.
 - Clarinets/flutes/oboes in cases, as well as drumsticks/mallets, should be packed inside checked luggage.
 - All other instruments must be in hard cases and checked with luggage.
- 1 piece of luggage (maximum weight = 50 lbs)

Please make sure your cases close securely and that EVERY item has a personal ID tag including your carry-on bag.

Please wear the orange trip t-shirt when travelling on Thursday, April 13 And again on the return flight on Monday, April 17.

You will be provided with:

- Sling bag To be used as a carry-on for travel and as a day bag for the parks (large back packs will not work in the parks)
- Orange T-shirt for travel days (see above instructions)
- White Maynard Music polo shirt for performance This is on loan and must be returned
- Hand sanitizer
- Lanyard can be used in the parks for carrying park pass and dining card

Please review the listing posted in the band room that indicates:

- Bus Assignment
- Your assigned chaperone
- Your list of roommates

Photo ID:

- If under 18, must have school photo ID
- If over 18, must have a government issued photo ID

Suggested spending money to bring:

At least \$20 per day (in the form of cash or gift cards) to supplement dining card funds (each person receives 4-\$35 dining cards and 1-\$25 dining card throughout the trip) and for incidentals/souvenirs.

Checklist for Packing

What you need to bring in your CARRY-ON/SLING BAG and have with you:

- o Masks to wear when in the airport and on the flight
- o PHOTO ID
- o CELL PHONE & CHARGER
- o PORTABLE BATTERY FOR CELL PHONE
- o Earbuds/headphones
- o MEDICATIONS, if needed (in clear plastic bag in original containers with prescription attached)
- o Sunscreen of SPF 30 or higher (travel-size for carry-on) liquids must be in clear plastic quart bag
- o Hand sanitizer liquids must be in clear plastic quart bag
- o Sunglasses
- o Sweatshirt/light jacket
- o SNACKS for plane/during travel we will not have an opportunity to stop for food until after we get to Animal Kingdom (anticipated to be after 10 am) on the first day
- O Wallet and spending money (at least \$20-30 per day) or some form of payment for water, additional snacks/meals beyond what the dining cards will cover, and souvenirs/incidentals.

What you need to pack in your SUITCASE to be checked at the airport:

- o BLACK DRESS PANTS
- o BLACK SOCKS
- o BLACK DRESS SHOES
- o WHITE MAYNARD MUSIC POLO SHIRT (supplied by school)
- o WHITE UNDERSHIRT (BOYS)/WHITE CAMISOLE OR TANKTOP (GIRLS)
- o Belt
- o SHEET MUSIC/MUSIC FOLDER
- o Sunscreen of SPF 30 or higher (large size for suitcase, pack in a ziplock bag in case of leaking)
- O Clothes for 5 full days (check weather prior to trip to determine proper attire)
- O Comfortable shoes /sneakers/ sandals, extra socks
- O Large plastic bag for dirty laundry (garbage bag would work)
- o Rain poncho
- o Bathing suit
- o Hat/visor
- Sleenwear
- o Toiletries shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, etc. (pack in a ziplock plastic bag)
- o Extra drawstring pack to carry your personal items around the park OR use sling bag supplied to you
- o Insulated water bottle

Things you should know

- 1. We will be providing Disney Dining Cards to cover the cost of 2 meals per day (4 for \$35 and 1 for \$25), so each student will be responsible for paying for their third meal (if desired) as well as any other snacks and drinks beyond that. However, please be aware that because of our extremely packed itinerary, there will be times during our trip when students will have limited access to being able to purchase food. We are asking that all students pack at least 4 or 5 meal replacement bars or other hearty packable snacks so that they can carry something in their sling bags every day. This is especially important for students who are in both band and chorus. Because during the performances and workshops, since the band and chorus will be basically back-to-back, they'll only have time for a quick bite during transitions if they have something packed in their sling bag/day bag. It will be non-stop fun as long as everyone is prepared with snacks, water and sunscreen in their sling bag/day bag every day. Please make sure to pack accordingly!
- 2. When we arrive in Orlando airport and before we leave the baggage claim area, please open your instrument case and inspect for damage; same with your suitcase. This procedure should be followed again when we arrive back in Providence airport at the end of our trip. (Once we leave the airport, they are not responsible for any damages.)
- 3. Students are **NOT** to wander off alone at any time during the trip. All students must be with at least one other member and/or chaperone at all times.
- 4. Rooms keys, park tickets and dining cards will be managed by the chaperones.
 - a. Room keys will be provided to us when we arrive at the hotel to check in following our day at Animal Kingdom.
 - b. Chaperones have been given your park tickets and dining cards for the trip.
 - c. Each morning, chaperones will swap your park ticket for your room key and hand you your daily dining card.
 - d. When we return to the resort each night, chaperones will swap your room key for your park ticket. This is to minimize the chance of losing your park ticket.
- 5. Please be respectful of your roommates and the space you are sharing. It will not be a large room. Be neat and keep your belongings organized.
 - a. Upon checking into our rooms, chaperones will inspect your room for damage or anything out of place, in case we need to report anything to the front desk.
 - b. Upon check out at the end of our trip, chaperones will, again, inspect your room and ensure nothing is damaged or belongings are not left behind (ie. phone chargers).
- 6. At all times throughout our stay, students are not allowed in any hotel room in which they are not assigned. Visiting with friends is for outside of the rooms.

- 7. There will NOT be much time each morning to get ready, have breakfast and be ready for the bus. We are suggesting that you and your roommates decide which two of you will take showers at night and which two will take them in the morning. This will save time and ensure you are all ready for the day's activities on time.
- 8. Please have a hearty breakfast every morning. It is the one meal each day that we build in time for!
- 9. Evening curfew routine will involve chaperones checking each room and setting eyes on each roommate to ensure everyone is accounted for. Once all students are in their room for the night, the doors will be taped from the outside to ensure no one leaves their room overnight.
 - a. There will be time to mingle with friends at the resort prior to evening curfew.
 - b. Overnight security guards are scheduled from 10pm 6am.

Trip Nurse / Medication Instructions

Cris Antonio, RN, 508-314-4582 (Cell)

- 1. Health forms are required for every student!
- 2. Medications are only given by me not by chaperones. They are distributed in my room or as needed while we are out and about for meal timed meds. Teens need to leave time in the morning to come to my room if they need meds as well as to get dressed and to eat breakfast prior to departure for the day. I do not want to be chasing people around but if I need to do so your chaperone or I will come find you...Suggest setting a reminder on your phone.

My door is open starting at 6 AM until AM departure and again upon return at night until the door taping at night for meds. That said, your teen and the chaperones can access me 24 hours a day while we are traveling for health-related issues or concerns – I will go to them as needed.

- 3. Medication drop off dates prior to the trip are: F, April 7 6:30-8 pm and M, April 10, 6:30-8 pm. I will be in the band room during these times. Also, feel free to come up if you need to update any info or speak to me about any health form changes prior to the trip.
- 4. All medications must be in original pharmacy container or packaging. When you get your refills at pharmacy ask for a second bottle with label to send on trip send just enough meds for the trip in that bottle DO NOT send a month supply in your usual home med bottle. OTC allergy medications (pollen levels will be high) should also be in original packaging and contain only enough meds for the trip.

Medication bottles are placed in a Quart size Ziploc bag with an index card that has child's name, medication and clear instructions for dosing. Write child's name on outside of bag with sharpie. These instructions are also on the health form letter and are linked on MHS trip website for you to refer to. At end of trip you get back empty bottle and card indicating that I dosed meds daily on it.

5. Inhalers and Epi Pens will be on your child's person and carried in their carry-on bags NOT checked luggage. I will ask each child with an inhaler and/or Epi Pen to see their inhaler and Epi Pen the morning of departure when we meet in the auditorium. They should be prepared to show these to me. For TSA they should put inhalers in Ziploc bag with spacers if used and remove from carry on to go through security like other toiletries. Epi pens can stay in their carrier and in bags. Again, check expiration dates and counters on inhalers before sending them. I will also have a supply of epi pens on my person and they are accessible within Disney at first aid centers.

- 6. On day of departure (TH) give your teen their AM meds and notify me if you already dosed Dramamine if needed. On our final day, your teen will receive their night meds when they get home with you on Monday night (early Tuesday).
- 7. If you have specific questions about your child and meds see me or email me please to discuss. Again, I also email you once I reviewed your health forms to confirm meds and administration needs etc.
- 8. Sunscreen!!! Small travel size 3 0z or face sticks for carry on and pack larger size sunscreen remember to put into large gallon Ziploc bag in case of explosion on packed luggage to save clothing. Apply it prior to leaving each AM and reapply often. Sunburn will not be fun for anyone. Remember we are from New England and have had a long indoor winter so our skin will be in shock once we hit sunny FL.
- 9. Hydrate!!! Minimize headaches, fatigue, fainting spells, etc by doing so. It will be hot so plan ahead. Drink something at breakfast and each meal. You can also bring a water bottle with you into the park so you may want to pack one. Any counter service restaurant in Disney Parks will give you free ice water if asked. You can then transfer it to your water bottle if needed to refill.
- 10. Dress for comfort, hot weather and a lot of walking! Comfortable, broken in shoes sneakers are always a good option.

MHS Band/Chorus Disney Trip April 2023 Behavioral Policy

- It is expected that all students will participate in fundraising efforts to reduce the cost of the trip as much as possible. Any misuse of monies or fundraising products will result in disciplinary action.
- All students will abide by the rules set forth by the Music Directors and the chaperones, including compliance with overnight curfews and quiet times in the evening. Failure to do so will result in suspension from activities that day or the following day, as appropriate.
- Any student found using, in possession of, or distributing drugs, alcohol, or tobacco during this trip or engaging in sexual activity with another student/person will be immediately suspended from all trip activities. The student's parent/guardian, the school principal and authorities will be immediately notified. The student's parent/guardian will be responsible to make arrangements at their cost for the student's immediate flight home, including arrangements for the student to fly as an unaccompanied minor, if appropriate. The student will be transported to the airport by a chaperone and will ensure that the student is met by an airline liaison at which point the chaperones, the Music Directors and the Maynard Public Schools are no longer responsible, in any manner, for the student.
- If any student is arrested for any illegal activity (including, but not limited to, using, possessing or distributing drugs, alcohol or tobacco; shoplifting, assault, etc.), said student will be immediately suspended from the trip and will thereupon become the responsibility of his/her parents/guardians. Neither the Music Directors nor the Maynard Public Schools shall be responsible for a student in the custody of the authorities.
- While on the trip, at all times, students are to abide by the student behavioral regulations as set forth by Maynard High School and the school committee as found in the MHS student handbook.
- It is expected that students will be respectful toward the Music Directors, Disney cast members, the chaperones and their peers while on the trip. All rules and expectations set by the teachers or chaperones are to be followed at all times. The rules are set to ensure the safety of each student during the trip.

WE HAVE A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY ON ALL MUSIC TRIPS!!!

Chaperone Guidelines

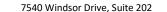
Prior to the trip – Chaperones should set up their group within the Band App for communicating with their assigned students. Chaperones will also receive, from the Trip Nurse, a listing of assigned students who will need to visit the Trip Nurse on a routine basis for medication distribution, as well as any allergy information on their assigned students. **Per school guidelines, chaperones may NOT provide any over the counter (OTC) medicines to their assigned students. Instead, they should refer them to the Trip Nurse.**

During the Trip - Primary Daily Duties of Chaperones:

- Chaperones will travel with their students at every point on this trip
- Confirm that all students are present at each travel point (i.e. before we board buses to and from parks)
- Make sure that students are awake and at breakfast each morning
- Distribute students' daily dining cards at breakfast each morning
- Collect students' room keys each morning and distribute park admission tickets in exchange
- Exchange park admission tickets for room keys each evening upon return to the hotel
- Chaperones will be responsible for room checks each night at curfew; curfew times will be established daily based upon performance/park schedules
- Establish check-in times and locations for students at parks every few hours
- Attend a brief meeting each evening, once students are in their rooms, to go over the plan for the next day.

In the Parks:

Each day once the group has entered a theme park, the students in your group may head off on their own as long as they are in groups of two or more. At no point during the day should a student be on their own. Chaperones will have students check-in in person or via text <u>WITH</u> <u>PHOTO</u> every few hours during the day. Chaperones should establish meeting times and locations with their students prior to the designated exit time from the theme park. Once the group has exited the theme park, the chaperones will have eyes on each of their students and make sure they all board the transportation back to the hotel.



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MAYNARD HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC DEPARTMENT TRIP ORLANDO, FLORIDA APRIL 13 - 17, 2023 DISNEY'S ALL STAR MUSIC RESORT

THURSDAY-APRIL 13

- 3:00AM CHECK IN FOR FLIGHT- PROVIDENCE AIRPORT SOUTHWEST TICKET COUNTER
- 5:05AM SOUTHWEST FLIGHT #766 DEPARTS PROVIDENCE
- 8:00AM SOUTHWEST FLIGHT #766 ARRIVES ORLANDO

UPON ARRIVAL GROUP WILL CLAIM ALL BAGS AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE TRANSPORT TRUCK TWO CHARTER BUSES TRANSFER TO THE ANIMAL KINGDOM*

\$35 DISNEY DINING CARD FOR DINNER

7:00PM **DISNEY** BUS TRANSFER TO THE HOTEL FOR CHECK IN

LUGGAGE PICKED UP IN PARKING LOT NEAR GROUP ROOM BLOCK

FRIDAY - APRIL 14

\$35 DISNEY DINING CARD FOR BREAKFAST/DINNER

10:00AM ONE CHARTER BUS DEPARTS FOR DISNEY SPRINGS FOR CONCERT BAND PERFORMERS

(50 performers and 5 chaperones) GROUP TO ARRIVE DRESSED AND READY TO

PERFORM

EQUIPMENT TRUCK TO FOLLOW

10:15AM ONE CHARTER BUS DEPARTS FOR DINSEY SPRINGS FOR ALL NON-PERFORMERS

THIS BUS WILL DROP AT THE WEST END BUS LOOP

11:45AM CONCERT BAND PERFORMANCE ON THE WATER SIDE STAGE

AFTER PERFORMANCE GROUP TO RETURN TO PRE-SHOW AREA TO PACK INSTRUMENTS

WILL BE DROPPED AT DISNEY SPRINGS - WEST END BUS LOOP

12:45PM ONE CHARTER BUS DEPARTS WEST END BUS LOOP FOR CHORUS PERFORMERS TO PRE SHOW

AREA (11 performers + 3 chaperones) NOTE: 14 STUDENTS IN BOTH

2:30 PM CHORUS PERFORMANCE ON THE WATER SIDE STAGE (25 PERFORMERS)

AFTER PERFORMANCE - PERFORMERS BACK TO HOTEL TO CHANGE

3:30PM ONE CHARTER BUS FROM STAGE AREA TO HOTEL (28 PEOPLE)

3:30PM ONE CHARTER BUS FROM THE WEST END BUS LOOP TO HOTEL TO CHANGE (48 PEOPLE)

4:30PM DISNEY BUS TRANSFER TO MAGIC KINGDOM*

9:00PM HAPPILY EVER AFTER NIGHT TIME SHOW

10:00PM DISNEY BUS TRANSER TO THE HOTEL

SATURDAY - APRIL 15

\$35 DISNEY DINING CARD FOR BREAKFAST/DINNER

8:30AM DISNEY BUS TRANSFER TO EPCOT*

5:00PM ONE CHARTER BUS DEPARTS EPCOT FOR CONCERT BAND WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS TO

DISNEY'S EVENT GROUP FACILITY (50 performers and 5 chaperones) TRUCK TO

FOLLOW

6:00PM SOUNDTRACK SESSIONS INSTRUMENTAL WORKSHOP BEGINS

8:30PM ONE CHARTER BUS DEPARTS FOR THE HOTEL TO DROP THEN CONTINUE TO BACKSTAGE

EPCOT TO DROP FOR CHORUS WORKSHOP (14 performers and 1 chap

9:00PM CHORUS PERFORMERS TO MEET AT LA GEMMA ELEGANTE- SHOP IN ITALY FOR BACKSTAGE

ADMISSION FOR WORKSHOP (11 performers + 2 chaperones)

(25 performers total and 3 chaperones)

9:15PM SOUNDTRACK SESSIONS VOCAL WORKSHOP BEGINS

11:45PM ONE CHARTER BUS DEPARTS FOR THE HOTEL FROM BACKSTAGE

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SUNDAY - APRIL 16

\$35 DISNEY DINING CARD FOR BREAKFAST/DINNER

- 8:15AM DISNEY BUS TRANSFER TO DISNEY'S HOLLYWOOD STUDIOS*
- 8:30PM FANTASMIC NIGHT TIME SHOW
- 9:30PM DISNEY BUS TRANSFER TO THE HOTEL

MONDAY - APRIL 17

\$25 DISNEY DINING CARD FOR BREAKFAST/LUNCH

- 8:00AM 9:00AM PACK EQUIPMENT AND BAGS -CHECK OUT OF THE HOTEL -
- 9:00AM DISNEY BUS TRANSFER TO THE MAGIC KINGDOM*
- 5:15PM GROUP TO TAKE MONORAIL OR FERRY TO THE TICKET AND TRANSPORTATION CENTER
- $6:15\,\mathrm{PM}$ TWO CHARTER BUSES TRANSFER FROM THE TICKET AND TRANSPORTATION CENTER TO THE AIRPORT FOR CHECK IN
- 9:20PM SOUTHWEST FLIGHT #699 DEPARTS ORLANDO
- 12:05AM SOUTHWEST FLIGHT #699 ARRIVES PROVIDENCE, CLAIM LUGGAGE

ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

*DISNEY STARTER PASS FOR FIVE - ONE DAY/ONE PARK ADMISSIONS TO 4 DISNEY THEME PARKS

PRIVATE SECURITY GUARD NIGHTLY - 10PM-6AM

Band App Instructions

Our group will be using Band App to communicate within chaperone groups and among the adults on the trip. By now, all participants should have installed the Band App on their mobile device. This will allow the chaperones to set up their chat groups with their assigned students.

1) Install the Band App on the App Store (for iPhone) or the Google Play Store (for Android)



(what the icon for the app looks like)

2) Joining a Band Group

- a) After setting up your account, it will lead you to this page. Tap on the arrow button on the top left corner, then select "Find My Invitation"
- b) Select "I got a QR code". Make sure to select "allow" when the app asks about using the camera so you can scan the code.
- c) Scan the QR code to join the Disney Band App Group!



d) Select the settings icon in the bottom right corner; make sure that the "push notifications" setting is turned on.

The full set of instructions can be found on our Disney trip page of the MMA Website: <u>Disney 2023 – Maynard Music Association</u>

MY DISNEY EXPERIENCE APP - GENIE SERVICE

- 1. We suggest that all participants download the free My Disney Experience App to their phones. With this app, you can see park maps, food menus, wait times for attractions, etc.
- 2. You can also set up an account and link your park ticket to this app. Setting up an account is optional but highly recommended by our travel company.
- 3. If you decide to set up an account, this should be done before we leave for the trip, on a computer/laptop on their website. Specific directions (below) and information are provided in your sling bag. By setting up an account and linking your park tickets, you can also do mobile food ordering and use basic genie services.
- 4. <u>PLEASE NOTE</u> that minors will not be able to purchase Genie+ or Lightning Lane services on the app since Disney does not allow minors to save payment methods to their accounts.

LINKING PARK TICKETS ON MYDISNEYEXPERIENCE

DIRECTIONS FOR GAINING ACCESS:



NAME OF PARTICIPANT		

TICKET NUMBER _____



- 1. Go to "StartYourDisneyExperience.com". You CANNOT link your tickets on the My Disney Experience app you must be on the website, Disney suggests using a computer to link your tickets. Once tickets are linked you can manage on Disney's app while onsite. Each person will need to create a My Disney Experience account. Select "ticket linking". You will only be linking your park ticket to your profile, not your room reservation.
- 2. Link your theme park ticket to your individual account. You will not have your room reservation number to link your room.
- 3. You will use your actual park ticket to gain park access.

SEE YOU REAL SOON!

