

Music In The Parks Band Trip

May 13-16, 2010

Dear Band Parents:

The Hillsboro Board of Education has approved our band trip for this next spring to Sandusky, Ohio. At this time, we anticipate having the Hillsboro Jazz, Concert and Symphonic Bands participate in a Music In The Parks Festival in Sandusky. However, if one of the ensembles does not perform, and your child is enrolled in that band, they will still be able to participate in the trip.

Attached to this letter, you will find a copy of the proposal presented before the board. Please read over the information. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

At this time, the cost per student will be \$370 before any Band Booster contribution. Currently, the boosters are working toward paying the cost of transportation (\$7200), which would be \$80 per student based off of 90 students participating in the trip. The board proposal reflects an outline of the trip. Also included is an itinerary from EPN Travel. Payment options are shown below. Please note that there is a \$25 per person, non-refundable deposit due now to reserve your student's trip.

Payment Options (minus \$25 non-refundable deposit):

- 6 Payments of \$57.50 (November – April)
- 5 Payments of \$69.00 (November – March)
- 4 Payments of \$86.25 (November – February)
- 3 Payments of \$115.00 (November, January and March)
- 2 Payments of \$172.50 (November and March)
- 1 Payment of \$370.00 (Anytime up to the end of March)

Those participating in the Family Personal Accounts program will be periodically informed of the fund balance, their accumulation shares and the value per share. These amounts will fluctuate as both the fund and the number of participants increases. Any funds earned through the Family Personal Accounts program and/or the magazine fundraiser will be applied at the end of the payment program, which will end in April. If a payment overage occurs, a refund will be issued from the general booster fund at the end of the payment program.

Again, please review all of the information provided with this letter. After you have done this, please sign the intent form below and return with a deposit of \$25.

Sincerely,

Brett Myers
Director of Bands





Proposed Itinerary
Hillsboro High School
Sandusky
Thursday, May 13, 2010 to Sunday, May 16, 2010
4 Days; 3 Nights

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Offer Expires: 8/16/2009

Day 1

Thursday, May 13, 2010

Rooms at the Great Wolf Lodge- Hillsboro

Deluxe balcony rooms with interior corridors. Each room includes a water park pass per person for your entire length of stay (up to 4 passes per room). Please note hotel check-in is any time after 4:00 PM.

Day 2

Friday, May 14, 2010

Breakfast

Enjoy a Full American Buffet Breakfast in the hotel. Menu includes sliced fresh fruit, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, French toast sticks with maple syrup, breakfast potatoes, assorted breakfast pastries and muffins, assorted juices, coffee, tea and milk

Music In The Parks Cedar Point NO Meal

The Music in the Parks performances (Band/Choir/Orchestra) will take place today. Exact times and locations will be scheduled by your Music in the Parks program director. Please note that you will not receive a hard copy of your performance schedule in the mail. You will however, receive a postcard in the mail from Music in the Parks notifying you of your schedule. Please print your schedule from www.musicintheparks.com, and take a copy with you for the weekend. Your package includes a one-day park admission for Cedar Point.

Rooms at the Great Wolf Lodge- Hillsboro

Deluxe balcony rooms with interior corridors. Each room includes a water park pass per person for your entire length of stay (up to 4 passes per room). Please note hotel check-in is any time after 4:00 PM.

Day 3

Saturday, May 15, 2010

Breakfast

Enjoy a Full American Buffet Breakfast in the hotel. Menu includes sliced fresh fruit, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, French toast sticks with maple syrup, breakfast potatoes, assorted breakfast pastries and muffins, assorted juices, coffee, tea and milk

Music In The Parks Awards Ceremony

The Music in the Parks Awards Ceremony at CEDAR POINT will take place today. You will pick up your park tickets on the performance day and once you pick them up, you are responsible for them. Please refer to your Adjudication Schedule for exact Awards Ceremony time and location

Rooms at the Great Wolf Lodge- Hillsboro

Deluxe balcony rooms with interior corridors. Each room includes a water park pass per person for your entire length of stay (up to 4 passes per room). Please note hotel check-in is any time after 4:00 PM.

Day 4

Sunday, May 16, 2010

Breakfast

Enjoy a Full American Buffet Breakfast in the hotel. Menu includes sliced fresh fruit, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, French toast sticks with maple syrup, breakfast potatoes, assorted breakfast pastries and muffins, assorted juices, coffee, tea and milk

Price Per Person:	Category	Single	Double	Triple	Quad
Sandusky	ADU	\$473.00	\$298.00	\$253.00	\$235.00
Sandusky-Student	STDNT		\$354.00	\$309.00	\$292.00
Bus Driver Room & Tax Only	DRVR				

Included In Your Proposed Tour:

- *3 Nights Deluxe Hotel Accommodations at the Great Wolf Lodge
- *3 Full American Breakfasts each morning in your hotel
- *Participation in Music In The Parks NO MEAL
- *Complimentary Group Leader (Based on Double Occupancy)
- *One Complimentary Chaperone for every 25 full package students (based on Double Occupancy)
- *One Luggage Tag for each participant
- *All Taxes and Gratuities (with the exception of guide services, which is at your discretion)

Per-Person Prices do not include Transportation
Prices are valid for 30 days

Sign and return your EPN Travel Services Tour Agreement. Forward your Tour Deposit.

Please note:

Hotel, transportation and sightseeing arrangements will not be made for your group until these deposits have been received. Tentative reservations will be released if deposits are not paid within 30 days of signing your Tour Agreement. The above prices will be effective for a period of 30 days following the date of this quote. After 30 days, prices are subject to change. Please bear in mind that these options are available as of today's date, and are scheduled on a first-come, first-serve basis. EPN Travel cannot guarantee your reservation without the necessary deposits (if applicable) to secure these options.

Music in the Parks Spring Band Trip 2010

Board Proposal

Dates: May 13 – 16, 2010

Destination: Sandusky, Ohio

Rationale:

- Music in the Parks adjudication festival – educational.
- Cedar Point Amusement Park – Absolute Fun!

Tour Company: EPN Travel Services – Douglassville, PA 19518. EPN was recommended by Jeff Micco. Jeff Micco is the Managing Director of Educational Programs Networks. Jeff is our liaison for our own Music in the Parks Festival that we host here at Hillsboro in the spring.

Housing: Wolf Lodge – Sandusky, OH.

Transportation: Huskey Bus Lines – Festus, MO

Proposed Performing Groups:

- High School Jazz Band
- High School Concert Band
- High School Symphonic Band

Student Cost:

- Cost Per Student before Band Booster contribution: \$374.00
- Cost per student covers transportation, tickets to park, housing, and all breakfasts during the trip.
- **Possible** student cost after Band Booster contribution of around \$9,000 = \$274.00 (based off of 90 students traveling and quad occupancy).

Meals:

- Meals: Students will receive a free breakfast on all mornings during the trip.
- Students are responsible for all other meals. **(Boosters are working on providing a nice dinner for the students after their performance on Friday evening, depending on performance times. Otherwise, it will be on Thursday.)**

Student Information: We will require the students to have the following information completed before participation is granted:

- Completed permission slip signed and dated by parent or legal guardian.
- Completed emergency/medical history form.
- All payment obligations met, unless a student was considered to have a special financial situation as outlined below.

Chaperones:

- Chaperones will have to have the necessary paperwork and background check information on file at the administration building before being allowed to go on trip.
- Chaperones will have to be a member of the booster organization.
- Chaperones will be picked from booster officers first, and then a drawing of those desiring to go will take place until all chaperone spots are occupied.
- Total amount of chaperones will exceed current district guidelines. We anticipate having 13 chaperones, including the three band directors, watching over 90 students. This will be 7 students per chaperone.
- There will be an appropriate ratio of female to female and male to male chaperones during the trip.

Students with financial situations:

- The boosters and directors have determined that students with moderate to severe financial situations will receive assistance with one of the following solutions:
 1. Longer Payment plan.
 2. Booster subsidy with payment plan.
 3. Booster subsidy with longer payment plan.
 4. Booster discount for families with more than one child going – if needed.
 5. Booster Covers complete cost and information kept confidential.

Note: It is our intention to have all students enrolled in band next semester to make this trip regardless of financial situations. It should also be noted that if there is a large group of students who can't afford the entire trip or part of the trip, then this will bring down the total amount of contribution for the entire band by the boosters. This will result in the students paying more than the proposed amount after the booster contribution mentioned above, but will not exceed the \$374.00.

**RETURN BY NOVEMBER 9, 2009 WITH YOU
DEPOSIT OF \$25. CHECKS MADE OUT TO
HILLSBORO BAND BOOSTERS**

Dear Band Parents;

Please check below to inform us of your intent to have your band student participate in the Sandusky, OH – Music in the Parks Festival spring trip May 13-16, 2010.

_____ Yes, my child will participate in the Sandusky, OH – Music in the Parks Festival Spring trip May 13-16, 2010.

_____ No, my child will not participate in the Sandusky, OH – Music in the Parks Festival Spring trip May 13-16, 2010.

Student Name

Parent Signature

Date

MEDICAL INFORMATION

STUDENT NAME: _____ GRADE _____

Medical or Health concerns: _____

Does your child have: ASTHMA _____ SEIZURES _____

HEART DEFECT/MURMUR _____

Does your child take daily medication? _____ Yes _____ No

List the name and dosage of the medication: _____

Any Allergies? _____

Does your child wear GLASSES _____ or CONTACTS _____

Date of last physical exam _____

Name and number of family physician _____

Name of preferred hospital (if feasible) _____

In case of serious injury, I request the school to contact me. If the school is unable to contact me, I hereby authorize the school to make whatever arrangements deemed necessary.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN _____