Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose Public Schools Optional Field

Trip/Overnight or Out-of-State Trip Form

School: BHS Group Making Request: "The HERD" Summer Marching Band

Principal: Mark Mischke Person in Charge: Scott T. Rabehl

- 1. Destination: **Colorado**
- 2. Dates of Trip: Saturday 7/2-Thursday 7/7 # of Schools Days Missed: 0
- 3. Number of students: Male____Female___Unknown at this time. The parents of 119 students have indicated that their child is either a "yes" or a"maybe" for going on the trip. Right now, they are still creating accounts with our travel agent and making their down payments.
- 4. Grade Levels Included: 8-12
- 5. Supervision requirements: one adult for every 12 students. Same gender chaperones must be included for each gender participating.
 - a. Staff Accompanying: Scott Rabehl (Director), Andy Richter (Assistant Director), Owen Sabinash (Drum Line Instructor)
 - b. Other Adults Accompanying: Parents to complete a staffing ratio of one adult for every 10 students.
 - c. In addition...Private security guard to walk the halls of the hotel every night from 11:30 PM-3:30 AM. This allows our students to feel safe and supervised, and allows our staff and chaperones to sleep so that they can be good decision makers during the day.
- 6. Describe the purpose and objectives of the trip:
 - a. Generally, we travel to perform in larger events. This year, the objective is the opposite. The students will be "star attractions" at small town Independence Day celebrations.
 - b. To expose children to other parts of the country and other cultures.
 - c. To have social and team-building experiences that can only happen when you travel.
 - d. To create lifelong memories.
- 7. Cost Factors:
 - a. Trip funded by Individual Students

- b. Cost per per person: \$1000 is the best estimate as of 2-9-22
 - i. In addition...8 or 9 out of pocket meals (approx. \$\$80)
 - ii. In addition...souvenir money (varies by child)
- c. What provision have you made for students with financial difficulties? Fundraising activities conducted?
 - i. Fundraising Opportunities: Mattress Sale, 3 Coffee Sales, possible Coupon Book sale.
 - ii. Accommodations for Cost. Students who make a significant effort to fundraise but who are in a financial situation that prevents them from going on the trip may apply for a scholarship from the Tri M Music Honor Society or the "The HERD" Activity Account to help reduce the cost.
- d. What efforts have been made to acquire the most cost effective price? Performance Tours, from Anoka, MN, was selected to guide this trip. We have been working with them for several years to develop a level of trip-content and value that provides a quality experience yet is affordable.
- e. Faculty members may not receive any salary remuneration relating to field trips from outside agencies or arrange trips for financial gain. Is a portion of the funds provided by students paying for or reducing chaperone costs? YES
- f. Insurance Issues
 - i. Will students need additional medical insurance coverage? NO
 - ii. Is group tour insurance being purchased? If so, what is the coverage and cost? No, however every student was STRONGLY encouraged to purchase trip insurance at a cost of around \$60.
- 8. Transportation Information: How will students be transported? **Coach Buses-Likely to be Holt/Peterson**
- 9. Communication-Please attach a copy of the trip itinerary. Include parental and student input in the planning process and all parent meetings conducted to ensure full disclosure of the trip and associated topics to include by not limited to: Purpose of the trip, cost (to include spending money), fund raising, adult chaperones, emergency telephone numbers, medical insurance needs, procedure for sending a student home in case of an emergency (medical, disciplinary, etc.) and itinerary.

Person in charge signature:	Date:
Activities Director signature:_	Date:
Superintendent signature:	Date:

Tentative Itinerary

Tuesday, July 2

- Load and depart at 5 PM
- Travel throughout the day and night
- Stops for bathroom and meals along the way.
- Two bus drivers with never more than a four-hour shift...sleeper on the bus

Wednesday, July 3

- AM: Arrive in Estes Park area
- Travel to Rocky Mountain National Park Alpine Visitor's Center
 - Look at exhibits and hike
- Travel back to Estes Park
 - Late lunch and shopping on own
- Travel to Denver
 - Depending on timeline...perhaps the Denver Museum of Nature and Science
 - Free time for browsing, shopping and exploring in Denver Pavilions Shopping Mall and downtown Denver
- Group dinner at Cinzetti's, an All You Can Eat Italian Restaurant.
- Travel to hotel
- 11 PM Room Checks
- Private security guard walks the halls all night so that everybody gets to sleep

Thursday, July 4

- Parade Day!
- Get up early
- Travel to Frisco to participate in their parade
- Travel to Breckenridge to participate in their parade
 - \circ Might march one of these little parades twice
 - I have heard that MN Bands that perform in these towns are celebrated like celebrities
- Free time in Breckenridge to explore, hike, take advantage of optional activities (eg. ziplining), dinner on own
- Attend a Fireworks show (if they happen...worried about fire danger)
- Back to the hotel late...nighty night

Friday, July 5

- Check out of hotel (probably)
- Travel to Colorado Springs area
- Air Force Academy in the AM...perhaps a photo
- Manitou springs for shopping and eating on own
- Garden of the Gods for sightseeing and hiking
- US Olympic Training Center
- Flying W Ranch
 - A working ranch
 - Burned down about 10 years ago
 - Been rebuilt
 - Chuckwagon Dinner
 - Stage Show by the Flying W Wranglers, one of the best Cowboy Bands in existence...think "Sons of the Pioneers"
 - Talented, fun and funny
- To a different hotel for check in.
- 11 PM Room Checks

Saturday, July 6

- Cheyenne Mountain Zoo (kids eat on own at the zoo)
- White Water Rafting...perhaps a group photo
- Group BBQ meal at end of Rafting.
- Travel back to hotel
- Swimming and Gathers in common areas
- 11 PM Bed Checks

Sunday, July 7

- Get up early
- Check out
- Depart early for home via SD
- Mt. Rushmore no performance...just a visit...perhaps a group photo
- Arrive BHS in late evening

This is tentative. If there is any one thing on this Itinerary that, if it wasn't on the itinerary you wouldn't go...you shouldn't go. Because it might not happen.