
ILLINI CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT**KELLY DAMANN, DIRECTOR****DESTINATION: KANSAS CITY, MO****DATES: APRIL 30- MAY 3, 2026****SUGGESTED ITINERARY****AS OF****APRIL 9, 2025***Alyssa Hosking, Travel Consultant**Stephanie Anderson, Travel Coordinator***THURSDAY, APRIL 30**

- 9:00 AM **One (1) 56-pax motor coach** arrives at **Illini Central High School**
208 Northwest Ave., Mason City, IL 62664
- AM Begin loading
- 10:00 AM Depart for **Kansas City, MO**
(340 miles; 5 hours drive time + 1 hours for meal and driver stops)
- PM Lunch en route (*student cost*)
- 4:00 PM Approximate arrival at a **local area hotel**
Meet your Professional Bob Rogers Travel Tour Director upon arrival
- PM Check in to the hotel and freshen up for the night
- 5:00 PM Load motor coach; depart for the **New Theater Restaurant**
9229 Foster St, Overland Park, KS 66212 (913) 649-0103
- 6:00 PM Seating
- 6:30 PM Enjoy a **group dinner**
- 7:35 PM Enjoy a show! (*based on 2026 scheduling*)
- 10:00 PM Load motor coach; return to the hotel

One (1) Private Nighttime Security Chaperone on duty (10:30 PM – 5:30 AM)

FRIDAY, MAY 1

- 8:30 AM Enjoy breakfast at the hotel
- 9:30 AM Load motor coach; depart for the **American Jazz Museum**
1616 E 18th St, Kansas City, MO 64108 (816) 474-8463
- 10:00 AM Free time to explore the museum
The sights and sounds of a uniquely American art form come alive at the American Jazz Museum. The Museum includes interactive exhibits and educational programs as well as the Blue Room, a working jazz club, and the Gem Theater, a modern 500-seat performing arts center.
- 11:30 AM Enter the **Negro Leagues Baseball Museum** (816) 221-1920
Check out this unique museum that highlights the obstacles players of color faced, what they did to overcome the challenges of prejudice and social injustice in this country, and how their talent, passion and perseverance changed Major League Baseball and America.
- 1:00 PM Load motor coach; depart for the **National World War I Museum**
2 Memorial Dr, Kansas City, MO 64108 (816) 888-8100
- 1:30 PM Enjoy a **boxed lunch** at the museum
- 2:30 PM Free time to explore the museum
A single crack of gunfire in 1914 sparked an event that forever changed our world. In all, 36 nations took up arms in the world's first global conflict. During the "Great War" 65 million men and women served in the military. More than nine million died.
- 4:30 PM Load motor coach; depart for **Bravo! Italian Kitchen**
7301 NW 87th St, Kansas City, MO 64153 (816) 741-4114
- 5:00 PM Enjoy a **group dinner**
Enjoy chopped salad, focaccia bread, spaghetti pomodoro, fettucine alfredo, & chicken parmesan, all served family style with cookies for dessert, served with unlimited soft drink, coffee, or tea.
- 6:15 PM Load motor coach; depart for the **Kaufman Center for Performing Arts**
- 7:00 PM The curtain rises on a **show!** (based on 2026 scheduling, \$50 allotted)
- 9:30 PM Load motor coach; return to the hotel

One (1) Private Nighttime Security Chaperone on duty (10:30 PM – 5:30 AM)

SATURDAY, MAY 2

7:00 AM Enjoy breakfast at the hotel

8:00 AM Load motor coach; depart for **University of Missouri-Kansas City**

8:30 AM Arrive and unload

9:00 AM **Illini Central HS Students participate in a clinic and observation at UMKC**
(based on availability and scheduling, \$500 honorarium allotted)

11:00 AM Depart for **Country Club Plaza**
4706 Broadway Blvd. Kansas City, MO 64112

11:30 AM Enjoy time to shop and have lunch at Country Club Plaza (student cost)

1:00 PM Depart for the **Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art**

1:30 PM Check out the **Nelson Atkins Museum of Art**
Explore over 40,000 works of art including the Donald J. Hall Sculpture Park

3:00 PM Load motor coach; return to **Union Station**

3:30 PM Check out **Science City** (816) 460-2000
Part of historic Union Station, Science City provides real hands-on fun, all in the name of science. Dig for fossils or land a space shuttle in a NASA-style simulator. Science City is fun. Kids (of all ages) won't realize how much they're learning.

5:00 PM Load motor coach; depart for **PowerPlay Entertainment Center**
509 NW Barry Rd, Kansas City, MO 64155 (816) 268-4386

5:30 PM Enjoy a **group dinner**
Includes pizza, breadsticks, and soda.

6:30 PM Free time for **attractions and gameplay**
Enjoy an Unlimited two -hour PowerPlay Pass that includes Roller Coaster, Laser Tag, Laser Maze, Bumper Cars, Hwy. 66 Bowling, Tilt-a-Whirl, Carnival Rides and over 150 arcade games.

8:30 PM Load motor coach; return to the hotel

One (1) Private Nighttime Security Chaperone on duty (10:30 PM – 5:30 AM)

SUNDAY, MAY 3

- 7:30 AM Enjoy breakfast at the hotel
- 8:30 AM Check out of the hotel; load motor coach
-
- 9:00 AM Depart for the **Kansas City Zoo**
6800 Zoo Dr, Kansas City, MO 64132 (816) 595-1234
- 9:30 AM Free time to explore the zoo
The Kansas City Zoo is home to more than 1,700 animals, representing more than 200 species.
-
- 11:30 AM Load motor coach; depart for **City Market**
20 E 5th St #201, Kansas City, MO 64106 (816) 842-1271
-
- 12:00 PM Grab lunch at the market (*student cost*)
-
- 1:30 PM Load motor coach; depart for **home** (*340 miles; 5 hours drive time + 1 hours for meal and driver stops*)
-
- PM Dinner en route (*student cost*)
-
- 7:30 PM Approximate arrival back at **Illini Central HS**

Welcome Home!