# Buffalo High School

# Music Department Concert Band Concert Choir Concert Orchestra

# **Touring and Performing in New York City**

HOTEL:	Ramada Plaza Hotel Newark Int'l Airport/EWR 160A Frontage Road Newark, NJ 07114 973-589-1000 Rooms have hairdryers, coffee makers, iron and ironing board. No pool. DO NOT LEAVE money in your hotel room!!!
EMERGENCY CELL PHONE:	Mike Knutson: 612-387-6552 Scott Rabehl: 763-242-0858 Michael Walsh: 612-518-0197 For emergency purposes only. Messages will be checked daily.
DIRECTORS:	Mike Knutson, Orchestra Scott Rabehl, Band Michael Walsh, Choir
CHAPERONES:	Lisa Ellwoods Kaththea Hansen Dawn Mohler Karen Pearson Kristen Vogeler  Lisa Gjerstad Mary Kunde Michelle Mackenthun Gerry & Jill Starr Lisa Tushar Jerome Yatckoske
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2010. Enrol (Australian spelling) as a Guest using the password trip2010.

# **Rules and Regulations**

As representatives of our school, community and state, it is expected of all students to display themselves as groomed, courteous, and respectful citizens at all times. You are young adults and nothing less is expected of your behavior. We have a tradition of problem-free travel, and we expect that to continue.

- All Minnesota State High School League rules and Buffalo High School rules apply, including chemical and tobacco use. Any infraction of rules will result in disciplinary measures. This may include sending a student home at the parent's expense.
- ♣ Profane language is "low class." Don't use it.
- No one will be permitted to eliminate or add any tours, etc. If you have friends or relatives that you would like to visit, you may do so by having your parents talk to Mr. Knutson, Mr. Rabehl, or Mr. Walsh **before the trip**. This special permission will be granted only if it fits around the group schedule.
- For your safety and protection, you are required to be in groups of three or more students at <u>all</u> times. **Do not wander by yourself.**

## **Travel Hints**

- \$\infty\$ Show courtesy and consideration to everyone at all times.
- ▶ Your chaperones are present to help you. Consult them and cooperate with them. Keep them informed if there are any problems.
- Please be on time. If you are late, all of us are late.
- 🗗 Plan ahead. Review your itinerary and be aware of your responsibilities.
- If you feel ill at any time, be sure to tell a chaperone immediately.
- ★ Keep a nice smile and be patient. Moving a large group takes longer than moving just one person.

#### **Hotel Instructions**

- ▶ No boys in girls' rooms; no girls in boys' rooms. Meet in common area (e.g. lobby).
- Make sure your lights are out and that you are quiet 30 minutes after curfew. Our hotel has many other guests. Out of courtesy to them, do not make noise or disturb others at any time. Hallways carry sound, so please be quiet.
- ▶ It is important that we are not called by management or the house detective because of unnecessary noise from your room.

- ₹ Telephones are available for proper use, but there will be charges for local calls. You will have to pay these charges. All long distance calls should be made from a lobby pay phone or your cell phone.
- Do not steal towels or souvenirs from the rooms. You will have to pay for them.
- ★ Keep your room locked at all times. Know who has the key. Safeguard and keep track of personal belongings and valuables. The hotel safe is available for your use if you wish to lock valuables. DO NOT LEAVE money in your room.
- □ Obey all rules set by the hotel management.

# **Money Needed**

- You will need money for about 10 meals. Attempts will be made, whenever possible, to make meal stops at areas where there are a variety of places and price ranges. You will need to be the judge of the amount of money you will need for meals. A suggested amount to bring would be \$100. Some meals are included in your \$665 (see itinerary).
- You may also wish to bring extra money for souvenirs, snacks, t-shirts, batteries, etc.

#### What to Wear

- Comfortable, casual attire is appropriate for the bus.
- No bare midriffs or cleavage.
- ♪ Dressier clothing (but not formal) will be needed for the awards dinner/banquet/dance.
- A windbreaker, sweater, or light rain coat will come in handy. Be sure to bring comfortable shoes as we will do a lot of walking (no flip flops for walking). An umbrella in your carry-on is a good idea. Do not forget your performance attire and all of its pieces, including proper socks, shoes, etc.
- ▶ We want everyone to be as comfortable as possible, but we are also most concerned with leaving an outstanding impression wherever we go. Please do not bring along any sloppy attire including clothing with offensive slogans or alcohol advertisements. You are expected to dress modestly and cover yourself.

# What to Take Along

- □ Bring a water bottle.
- ☐ Get together with roommates and decide who will bring what. Save packing space. Hotel rooms have hair dryers.
- ₽ Bring a pillow and blanket for the bus ride. Air conditioning runs all the time on buses.
- ▶ You are allowed one under-the-bus bag and one carry-on/backback. Keep it small!
- ▶ You may want to bring a **small** cooler on the bus.
- Remember your instrument and music.

#### **Motorcoach Instructions**

Food and drink (bottles with caps, not cans) may be taken and consumed while traveling, as

- long as the coach is kept clean and neat. Remember, your motor coach is your home. Keep it clean! The coaches are also equipped with restrooms only to be used in emergencies as they tend to smell.
- Please treat your drivers with respect, mindful of their responsibility. Get to know him/her. They are an important part of every successful trip.
- As a courtesy to others who may be trying to nap or rest, keep the noise level within the coach low at all times.
- 🗗 Ear buds or head phones must be used with any personal media you bring. There will be a DVD player on each bus so you may bring movies (nothing above PG-13 allowed). Directors and chaperones on each bus will decide what movies will be watched.
- Rest stops will be scheduled at regular intervals.

# **ITINERARY**

# Wednesday, April 25, 2012 Buffalo/Overnight Transit

6:45-7:30 am Bring luggage to PAC Stage. Tags provided.

12:30 pm Load motor coaches (chaperones and student crew).

Depart BHS for New York City. No meal stop until dinner. Rest stops will be made 1:15 pm as necessary. Meals en route will be student expense. **Student \$** 

# Thursday, April 26, 2012

8:00 am	Fast food stop for breakfast.	Student \$
Noon	Fast food stop for lunch.	Student \$
4:30 pm	Arrive in New Jersey. Check in at hotel.	Shower!
5:30 pm	Depart for South Street Seaport.	
6:45 pm	Board Zephr Cruise Line.	
7:00 pm	Italian buffet dinner, dance with DJ, and	night tour of New York Harbor.
9:00 pm	Depart for hotel.	
11:00 pm	Curfew! In your rooms. Quiet!	
11:30 pm	Lights out, cell phones off!	

Midnight Lights out, cell phones off!

Friday, April 27, 2012		
7:00 am	All American Breakfast Buffet at hotel.	
8:30 am	Travel to downtown New York City and walk part way over the Brooklyn Bridge, up	
	Wall Street, past the Wall Street Bull, and group tours of the 911 Memorial at the	
	World Trade Center.	
1:15 pm	Travel to China Town.	
1:45 pm	Late lunch and shopping at China Town and Little Italy. Student \$	
2:30 pm	Guided bus tour of New York City, walking through Central Park with a guide, and	
	ending at Times Square.	
5:00 pm	Free time for shopping/dinner in Times Square prior to evening activity. <b>Student \$</b>	
8:00 pm	Optional evening activities (New York Yankees Game, Broadway show, or free	
	activity)	
10:45 pm	Depart for hotel.	
11:30 pm	Curfew! Quiet!	

# Saturday, April 28, 2012

7:00 am All American Breakfast Buffet at hotel.

TBD Travel to College of Staten Island to perform in the Big Apple Classic NY Musical

Festival.

10:30 am Choir warms up 11:00 am Choir performs

Noon Band warms up 12:40 pm Band performs

1:20 pm Orchestra warms up 2:00 pm Orchestra performs

TBD Lunch Student \$

4:45 pm Travel back to hotel to change for evening.

6:15 pm Travel to Medieval Times (Lyndhurst, NJ) for dinner, show, and festival awards

ceremony.

10:15 pm Depart for hotel.

11:00 pm Curfew! In your rooms. Quiet!

11:30 pm Lights out, cell phones off!

# **Sunday, April 29, 2012**

8:15 am All American Breakfast Buffet at hotel.

9:15 am Load bus and check out!9:30 am Travel to New York City.

10:45 am View of NYC skyline from Top of the Rock Observation Deck.

Noon Guided tour of Radio City Music Hall.

Lunch and shopping in the area. **Student \$** 

2:30 PM Depart for United Nations and free time to walk around and visit their gift shop.

4:00 pm Depart for Lincoln Center Fountain for group picture

5:00 pm Depart for return to Buffalo.

Dinner stop. **Student \$** 

# **Monday, April 30, 2012**

8:00 am Breakfast stop. Student \$
1:00 pm Lunch stop. Student \$
6:00 pm Arrive back at Buffalo High School. Unload buses.

## **HAPPY MEMORIES!**

Thank you to the 150 BHS music students and 11 chaperones. It is a privilege to make music with you and travel together.

Mr. Knutson Mr. Rabehl Mr. Walsh Mrs. Starr