

WALT DISNEY WORLD 2015

Westfield High School Choral Department

Spring Trip

April 14th – 19th

All students enrolled in chorus are invited to participate in this year's trip to Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida! In addition to spending 3 days in the parks, students will have the opportunity to participate in a special choral music clinic run by Disney musicians.

Students will receive a 3 day Parkhopper Ticket, and be able to enjoy multiple parks during the day. In addition, we will visit the Downtown Disney/Disney Marketplace complex, DisneyQuest, and possibly one of Disney's water parks. Students receive a Dining Debit Card to pay for 1 meal per day.

Total Trip Cost: \$750.00

(Cost subject to change based upon number of participating students)

Registration Due: November 5th

Payment Schedule:

Nov. 5th \$150

Dec. 1st \$150

Jan. 5th \$150

Feb. 9th \$150

March 15th Amount balance due

Please make checks out to **WHS CBI**. You are welcome to pay ahead, or pay larger deposits at a time. Students are encouraged to continue fundraising. Final balances will be made clear prior to March 15th.

Cancellations before February 1st are fully refundable. After February 1st, we are committed to paying for each student in full.

Tentative Trip Itinerary – Final Itinerary distributed in March

April 14th /Tuesday

Depart Westfield at 6:30 PM

Rest stop enroute/Driver Change

April 15th /Wednesday

7:00 AM Breakfast stop in/around Jacksonville, FL

11:30 AM Arrival in Orlando

12:00 Arrive at EPCOT escort and distribute Parkhoppers and Disney Dining Debit Cards
Enjoy the four Disney Theme Parks for the rest of the day

9:30PM Meet back at EPCOT

9:45 PM Depart for Hotel.

10:30/11:00 Curfew/Lights Out

April 16th / Thursday

7:00 AM Breakfast Buffet at Hotel

8:00 AM Group Depart for EITHER DisneyQuest, Virtual Indoor Adventure at Downtown Disney, OR
Typhoon Lagoon/Blizzard Beach (To be determined based upon Weather)

Lunch Lunch on own

4:00 PM Group departs for Downtown Disney

6:30 PM Group Dinner at Bongo's Cuban Café

9:00 PM Depart For Hotel

11:00/12:00 Curfew/Lights Out

April 17th /Friday

8:00 AM Breakfast at Hotel

9:00 AM Depart for the Parks – Full Day in Disney Parks

Use Disney Dining Debit for Lunch or Dinner

Possible Show Choir Competition Today

Evening Group meets for either Fantasmic (Hollywood Studios) or Electric Light Parade (Magic Kingdom)
TBD

10:30 PM Depart for Hotel

11:00/12:00 Curfew/Lights Out

April 18th /Saturday

8:00 AM Breakfast at the Hotel

9:00 AM Check out of Hotel, load busses

9:30 AM Depart for EPCOT

10:15 AM Meet at Italy for Vocal Workshop/Clinic

12:00 PM Lunch on own/Remainder of the day spend in parks

7:00 PM Show Choir meets for Awards Ceremony at Hollywood Studios

9:30 PM Group meets at Hollywood Studios to board busses

9:45 PM Depart for home

April 19th /Sunday

Arrive Home around 2:00 PM

Student Accounts

All students participating in the trip must have their student accounts reconciled prior to departure. This includes student fees as well as trip payments. Log on to www.charmsoffice.com with your student ID or contact our treasurer at whschorusmoney@hotmail.com

Hotel Information

We will be staying at Buena Vista Suites, Orlando. Students will sign up to be in rooms of 5-6 students beginning in February. Students may sign up to be in rooms with students that are in other chorus classes. Each room has 3 Double and/or Queen size beds. Students not comfortable with sharing a bed with another student may bring a sleeping bag. Chaperones will be in rooms of 2.

Meals and Personal Funds

Students will need money to purchase 2 breakfasts on route. Breakfast is included at the hotel. Students will be given a "Dining Debit Card" with which they may pay for meals while on Disney property. The card is designed to pay for 1 meal a day, but may last longer depending on amount of food purchased. A group dinner on Thursday Night is included. Students are welcome and encouraged to bring *clean* snacks for the bus and for down time in hotel rooms. There will be opportunities to shop for souvenirs and trinkets. Students are responsible for keeping up with their own money and belongings. Please keep in mind that space on the bus is limited.

Dress Code and What to Bring

We represent FCPS and Westfield High School at all times. While out in public, students must adhere to FCPS dress code policy. Students are responsible for all items they bring on the trip, including electronics. A more detailed packing list will be provided to students closer to the event. Students will need to bring their formal concert attire with them on the trip, and will need an appropriate garment bag to pick them in.

Rules and Behavior

Participation in the Choral Department Spring Festival Competition is a privilege, not a right. Students are expected to follow FCPS and Chorus Trip specific rules while on the trip. Parents and students will be provided with a list of specific rules and regulations pertinent to this year's chorus trip closer to the event. Students found in violation of those rules and regulations may be sent home at parent expense.

Students are also expected to follow FCPS, Westfield High School, and choral classroom rules leading up to the trip. Students with severe disciplinary actions may not be eligible to attend the trip.

Scholarships

A limited number of full and partial scholarships are available to deserving students. Please see the attached Scholarship Application form for more information. If you would like to make a contribution to the scholarship fund, please contact Mrs. Pierce or the Choral Booster Treasurer.

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Student Registration Form

Student Name: _____ Choir: _____

Student Email: _____ Student Cell: _____

Parent Name: _____ Parent Email: _____

Parent Cell phone: _____

Amount of deposit included: _____

Declaration of Intent (Check one)

_____ I plan on participating in the Spring Trip

_____ I plan on participating, but can only do so with financial assistance through scholarship.

Statement of Acknowledgement

I will be participating in the WHS Choral Department Trip to Walt Disney World, Orlando, Florida. I understand that this will be an overnight trip, during which Mrs. Pierce, with the assistance of parent chaperones and WHS administrators, will be responsible for all students. I also understand that participating in the trip is a privilege and not a right, and that I must abide by school, classroom, and chorus trip rules in order to participate.

Student Signature/Date

Parent Signature/Date

Parent Request to Chaperone

We can't have successful trips without our awesome parent chaperones! We need at least 1 parent for every 10 students. Parent Chaperones will be able to attend at a reduced rate, determined by the number of parents needed to chaperone. Please provide the name or names of interested chaperones and you will receive more detailed information in January.

Parent Name

Parent Email

Trip Scholarship Application

Due November 5th

Name/Grade: _____

Chorus: _____

A limited number of full and partial trip scholarships will be given to students based upon financial need, interest, and positive contributions to the choral department. Student will not need to audition for the scholarship, but will be asked to write a descriptive essay. Scholarships must be used for this year's trip, and may not be saved for future trips. Scholarship applicants and recipients are still encouraged to participate in fundraisers to help offset the cost of the trip.

Scholarship Essay

Please write a 1-2 page essay detailing why you should be considered for a scholarship, addressing the three questions below.

1. What do you hope to gain by participating in the Choral Department Spring Festival Competition?
2. Why do you like participating in Choir?
3. How will this award benefit you and the choral department?

Essays may be typed or hand written. Please remember that there are no right or wrong answers to the questions above, however we are looking for completeness and detail. The more information you can provide, the better those who are reviewing your application get to know you, your situation, and your intentions.

Scholarships will be awarded in January 2015