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Perry Hall Band Boosters

Disney World Trip 2023

Hello Parents and Students!

The **Perry Hall Band Boosters** parent organization is proud to announce that we will be returning to **Disney World in 2023!** The purpose of this trip is to allow the music ensembles to perform in an open concert setting in Disney World. **This trip will be sponsored by the Perry Hall Band Boosters, NOT BCPS.** There will be a Band, a String Orchestra, a Mixed Choir, and a Guitar Ensemble performing in a Disney World venue. Any student taking a band, orchestra, chorus, or guitar class is eligible to attend this trip. Exact times and locations of the performances will be announced at a later date.

The trip will take place during MLK weekend. We will depart for the trip on **Thursday, January 12th at 2pm** and arrive back at Perry Hall High on **Monday, January 16th around 5pm**. Students will miss a half school day on **Thursday, January 12th** and a full school day on **Friday, January 13th**. The absences will be considered unexcused as it is not an official BCPS sponsored trip. Students will be responsible for touching base with their teachers and making up any missed work. We will travel to and from Orlando on chartered coach buses. The buses will remain with us while in Orlando and provide our transportation to and from performance venues, Disney World theme parks, and any other stops along the way.

We will be traveling with **Academic Travel Services** tour company again this year. They were phenomenal during our last several trips and we are looking forward to working with them again.

The cost of the trip will range from **\$950-\$1050* per student or chaperone (cost is dependent upon the number of students attending)**. The cost includes:
ATS package which includes: Transportation; Lodging at Disney recognized "Good Neighbor" hotel/resort; 3-day passes to WDW Resort Parks; 3 breakfasts and 3 \$20 Disney dining cards; Full-time tour director services; Performances in one of WDW Resort Parks; Liability insurance coverage.
2023 custom t-shirt, Tour guide tip, Overage cost
*The final cost of the trip is dependent on the number of students participating. Any room with fewer than 4 students or 2 adults costs more per person. The overage charge helps offset these costs which cannot be determined until final numbers have been submitted.

The only other costs to consider will be for food and souvenirs. Each person on the trip will need to purchase dinner on the ride down and breakfast and lunch on the ride back. Each person will also be on their own for one meal each day. Plan for approximately \$10-\$15 per meal in Orlando and additional money for souvenirs while on the trip.

We have a limited number of spots remaining on the first 2 buses. Your registration is not complete until your payment is received to secure your spot. Any completed registrations received after we have filled our second bus will be put on a waiting list in the hopes of filling a third bus. Students will need to complete the registration form online (link below) along with their **\$250 deposit by Friday September 9, 2022*** made in 1 of 2 ways:

1. Place a check made out to "Perry Hall Band Boosters" in a sealed envelope with your student's name and place it in the yellow and black box marked "Band Boosters" in the PHHS band room.
2. Make the deposit electronically via the Band Boosters Square site (phsbb.square.site) **for an additional fee** (total for deposit will be **\$257.78**). An additional 1.5% transfer fee will be added to your final payment based on the total paid electronically, not to exceed \$15.

***PLEASE NOTE that the second payment is due 10 days after the deposit deadline.**

Deposits will only be refunded for those on the waiting list if we are not able to fill a third bus. Once registered for the trip, the payment schedule is as follows (fees will be assessed for electronic payments):

Monday, September 19th:	\$250 due
Monday, October 17th:	\$250 and medical forms due
Monday, November 7th:	final payment due

LATE PAYMENTS WILL BE ASSESSED A PENALTY OF \$5 PER DAY STARTING ON THE WEDNESDAY AFTER THE DUE DATE.

While things have improved, we are still in a worldwide pandemic. Please be aware that any student who gets sick and tests positive for COVID prior to returning home will not be allowed to travel back on the bus with the group. Their parent/guardian will be contacted and be responsible for getting their child home, along with any additional expenses incurred for the extended stay of their student and an adult. Travel insurance can be purchased and will range in price depending on age and type of coverage selected. Insurance can be purchased after the initial deposit is made, and is not sponsored by the Perry Hall Band Boosters. Go to travelinsurance.com for pricing and details.

In order to help offset the cost of the trip, students will have the opportunity to fundraise. An account will be set up for each student and any specified trip fundraiser profit will be deposited into this account and applied directly to the balance of the trip. This will affect your last payment, so please do not submit your last payment until you receive an invoice with a final balance.

There will be limits on the number of students and chaperones attending. Once the limit has been reached, all additional students will be put on a waiting list after the second bus has been filled. If we have enough participants on the waiting list to warrant a third bus, those students will be contacted by Thursday, September 18, 2022. We currently have a waiting list for chaperones, however if you are interested in becoming a chaperone, you may submit your registration and payment and be put on that waiting list. Chaperones must be 21 years of age or older. The cost for the chaperones is the same as the cost for the students.

All trip travelers & parents MUST sign up for updates through REMIND services. *

STUDENTS:

To receive text messages, send "@disney23st" to 81010

To receive push notifications, visit remind.com/join/disney23st on your phone's web browser

CHAPERONES:

To receive text messages, send "@disney23ch" to 81010

To receive push notifications, visit remind.com/join/disney23ch on your phone's web browser

PARENTS:

To receive text messages, send "@disney23pa" to 81010

To receive push notifications, visit remind.com/join/disney23pa on your phone's web browser

***Communication before and during the trip will be done through REMIND. Students, parents and chaperones MUST sign up for the service in order for everyone to stay in contact.**

Students will be expected to attend rehearsals outside of the school day to prepare for these performances. Dates and times for these rehearsals will be established by each director and all questions regarding these rehearsals should be sent to the director in charge of each ensemble.

We are also expecting that students planning to participate in the trip to Disney World will conduct themselves with maturity and responsibility not just on the trip, but in the months leading up to the trip. All students are expected to maintain positive attendance, behavior, and academic records to demonstrate to their directors that they will be able to participate in the trip in a mature fashion. **If a student is involved in disciplinary action or has poor behavior or academic performance, his/her participation may be canceled without receiving a refund. Additionally, any student who fails to conduct themselves appropriately on the trip may be sent home at the expense of the family.**

There will be an upcoming **MANDATORY** meeting (date and time TBD) for all trip travelers and their parents in the PHHS Auditorium. Any student, chaperone, or nurse who does not attend the meeting will be automatically dropped from the trip without a refund.

Student Registration Form can be found here:



Adult Registration Form can be found here:



If you have any questions about the trip, please speak with your director or send questions to disney@perryhallbandboosters.org. We are VERY excited about this trip! #gatorstakeDisney

Sincerely,

The Perry Hall Band Boosters