



***Spring Trip 2016***  
***Pigeon Forge, Tennessee***

I am pleased to announce tentative plans for our 2016 Band Spring Trip. We will be traveling to Pigeon Forge, TN. The tentative dates are Thursday-Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>. This trip provides an opportunity for all members of the band to perform in a nationally recognized music festival and it is my sincere hope that all students who are interested are able to attend. Please review all materials included in this handout carefully and should you have questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

**Tentative Itinerary**

<u>Thursday, April 21</u>	<u>Friday, April 22</u>	<u>Saturday, April 23</u>	<u>Sunday, April 24</u>
Travel to Tennessee	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
<i>Lunch en route</i>	Performances	Dollywood Theme Park	Depart for Home
Dinner in Pigeon Forge	Lunch	Lunch in park	<i>Lunch en route</i>
Check in Hotel	Sightseeing/Activity	Awards Ceremony	
	Dinner Theater	Dinner in Park	
		Senior Party	

**Trip Cost / Fundraising / Payments**

As of this date the approximate cost for this trip is **\$475.00**. The final number of participants will determine the final dollar amount. The more students going, the less the overall cost.

A down payment of \$50.00 is due by Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Any outstanding monies owed to the band (uniform/marching fees, etc.) are due before the deposit will be accepted. Any fundraising credits earned to date from band fundraisers may be used for the outstanding fees and/or the deposit. If a student earned more than the cost of the trip, the extra money (up to \$200.00) will be given to the student as spending money. Please let me know if you would like to make other arrangements.

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| • Deposit (\$50.00)                  | January 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2016  |
| • 1 <sup>st</sup> Payment (\$150.00) | February 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2016 |
| • 2 <sup>nd</sup> Payment (\$150.00) | March 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2016    |
| • Balance Due (remaining balance)    | April 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2016    |

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**Included in the Trip**

- Motor Coach Transportation
- 3 Nights Lodging
- 3 Breakfasts
- Dinner Theater or Show
- 1 additional dinner
- Participation/Adjudication in Fiestaval
- Dollywood Theme Park (with meal ticket)

**Refund Policy**

Cancellations and refunds after February 1<sup>st</sup> will be very difficult to accommodate. Many of our tickets and fees have to be paid several months ahead of time and are non-refundable. Please contact me before February 1<sup>st</sup> if your trip plans have or may change.

**Chaperones**

If parents are interested in participating as a chaperone, please indicate your interest on the Spring Trip Commitment form that is due with your son/daughter's deposit by January 8<sup>th</sup>. The number of chaperones will be determined by the final number of students attending. The anticipated chaperone cost will be \$250.00.

**Mandatory Pre-Trip Meeting**

Each student participating in the trip will be **required** to attend a mandatory rehearsal at 2:30 pm and a pre-trip meeting at 7:30 pm on Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. This time is set aside to review all trip procedures and answer any question you may have for trip

**Commitment Forms**

Please sign the commitment form and return it by Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup> along with your \$50.00 trip deposit so your space may be reserved.

Please let me know if you have questions that would help you to decide whether to participate in the trip or not.

Steve Turner  
Director of Bands

