

PERMISSION FORM

Lake Weir High School Marching Band and Forest High School Marching Band New York City Performance Trip March 13th - 17th, 2024

TO THE PARENTS:

The Lake Weir High School Marching Band and Forest High School Marching Band have been invited to perform in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in New York City!! The trip be from March 13th –17th, 2024! A copy of the NYC itinerary is attached to this permission form for your review.

There has been a great amount of planning to ensure a minimum of problems and a maximum of enjoyment with safety on this trip. We will have plenty of experienced chaperones. Please note on the Emergency Treatment Form, which **must be notarized, (will be handed out at a later date)** any particular medication your child will use.

The "Group Travel Planners" company for the NY trip, has indicated that the hotels have a high-tech video surveillance security system. Every student is responsible for their actions and must rigidly adhere to the rules including curfew. It takes only one person to ruin a trip for everyone. So, please review the following rules with your child to help us have a better trip. As always, it is a pleasure working with your children. I hope this trip will be a lasting, educational, and positive experience for everyone.

Thank you for your cooperation and support. If you have any questions, please email Mr. Jennings or Mr. Jones. **This permission form and first payment are due Friday, May 19th, 2023. You are committing to go on the trip with the return of this form and payment.**

Total cost per person: \$1025.00- Quad Occupancy
Payment Schedule: Make all checks payable to Lake Weir High School Band Boosters Or Forest High School Band Boosters. You may also pay in cash(*lwbs only*) or on the band website.

1st Payment due Friday, May 19th, 2023- \$225.00

2nd Payment due Friday, August 18th, 2023- \$200.00

3rd Payment due Friday, October 20th, 2023- \$200.00

4th Payment due Friday, December 15th, 2023- \$200.00

5th Payment due Friday, February 16th, 2024- \$200.00

Triple Occupancy- \$1040.00

Double Occupancy- \$1080.00

Single Occupancy- \$1280.00

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THERE ARE NO REFUNDS!!

RECOMMENDED ITEMS TO BRING:

___ At least \$100.00 for meal money/spending money.

___ One medium suitcase 28" tall maximum size & 1 small travel bag both labeled with your name, address, and phone # . You must be able to carry what you bring. Make sure your instrument & complete uniform are loaded on bus.

___ 4 to 5 changes of **warm** clothing, band t-shirt, and **Comfortable walking shoes.**

___ Toilet articles - Toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, necessary hygiene articles.

___ All electronic devices (cell phones, laptop, ipod, etc..) are your responsibility. Chaperones will not hold these items for you.

Trip Insurance is available in the event that a person is no longer able to attend. The cost is \$39 per student under 18 and \$59 per adult. (Not Required)

TO THE STUDENTS:

This will be a historic and educational performance trip that will be remembered for years to come. We are so proud of you for presenting such a positive image of our school and state. See the itinerary for the hotel we will be utilizing. Remember Hotel rooms are bedrooms and under no conditions are students of the opposite sex to visit, play cards, or entertain guests in these rooms. Students must wear appropriate clothing at all times.

The NY performance trip is a school-sponsored activity at which you represent Lake Weir High School, Forest High School, Marion County, and the state of Florida. All rules and regulations in the LWHS and FHS Handbook and School Board Policy must be followed during this trip. This includes no use of tobacco, alcohol, or unregistered drugs. Group Travel Planners has strict rules regarding any drug use or alcohol use/possession, or any incidents of shoplifting: the student will be sent home automatically with a chaperone at the parents' expense. It is imperative that everyone be responsible for his or her actions and considerate of other guests.

Curfews are set for your protection & times vary as per the itinerary. You may watch T.V. quietly past curfew if the majority in your room agrees. However, you should realize that we have an early wake up and a busy schedule.

Trip Rules and Guidelines

ABSOLUTELY NO ONE IS TO BE OUT OF THEIR ROOM PAST THE SET CURFEW TIMES, NOT EVEN FOR ICE OR FOOD ORDER DELIVERIES. NEVER OPEN A HOTEL DOOR WITHOUT IDENTIFYING THE PERSON OUTSIDE THROUGH THE VIEW FINDER. Contact your chaperone if you have a problem. **Students breaking curfew will be permanently dismissed from band and may be sent home that night.**

Eating at restaurants away from the hotel is to be done only in chaperoned groups. No one is permitted to leave the hotel area without a chaperone at any time. Know your chaperones.

The hotel will fill out a report on our band and send it to the Florida High School Activities Association. We will be evaluated on 1. Conduct, 2. Consideration of other hotel patrons and employees, and 3. Care of rooms and property. This report will determine our stay on future trips.

Only use the room telephone in an emergency and only if no one in the room has a cell phone. Please use your cell phone as primary device to communicate with other members and chaperones. You will be held responsible for all room telephone phone bills you incur.

I have read the preceding rules and I agree to abide by them. I understand that I am responsible for my actions. In the event of any damage I cause to the hotel, I understand that my parents and I are responsible for cost to repair the damage. I also understand that if I fail to abide by the rules set or fail to follow any chaperone's instructions, my parents will be called collect by phone & I may be sent home at my own expense without any refund.

Print student name _____ **Student Signature** _____

I/We hereby grant permission for (print student's name) _____ to participate with the Lake Weir H.S and Forest H.S. band in the NYC performance trip on March 13th -17th, 2024. I/We understand the method of transportation will be by chartered bus.

I/We consent to medical treatment and assume full responsibility and liability for any and all expenses, damage, accident, illness, injury or medical expense of and to my/our child or our property resulting from such participation. I/We attest and affirm that the participant has no limitation that should prevent participation in the activity and I/We have not been advised or informed by anyone to the contrary. (*SEE NOTE BELOW).

I/We further agree to inform the appropriate school officials should my/our child's physical condition change in any way and any time so as to affect his/her participation in the activity herein named.

_____ has assured us that he/she will conduct himself/herself in such a way that credit will be reflected upon the school that he/she represents. I also have reviewed the rules with my child. I also agree to pay for any travel expense if my child must be sent home for disciplinary reasons.

I/We further understand and agree that all payments made for this trip are non-refundable and that by signing this agreement, I/We are securing our reservation and committing our student to participation in this event.

I would like to add trip insurance for myself and/or my student. (\$39 per student, \$59 per adult)

I am declining the option for Trip Insurance at this time

Print parent's name

date

signature of parent or guardian