



Legacy High School Bands

Sept 15, 2011

Dear Band Students and Parents,

Following is the latest update on the Legacy Marching Band's participation in the **2011 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade**. Over the last week we have finalized our current plans with the travel agency for the trip. Details are included below. We apologize for the delay in getting you this information but several things were changing, including meals, fees and times for the WTC Memorial that were just released for reservation.

In addition to the near-final itinerary and final pricing, we have several other exciting updates below, including an option to join us for Thanksgiving Dinner if you happen to be in the NYC area.

We have 136 students signed up as well as 79 followers. Including staff, we will have 220 attendees! Other families will be joining us in NYC to cheer on our students. The attendee list is now final.

FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 23rd!

After working thru details of the Thanksgiving Dinner and final pricing from SW Airlines, the total price will be \$1715/person for the full package and \$1315/person for the ground-only package.

This means for students and followers that have kept current, your final payment is \$465/person, unless you have a variation below.

Given all the volatility we are pleased to have been able to keep this price very close to what we conveyed to you earlier.

Followers, we will be communicating how to get your final costs since everyone is slightly different.

Pricing variations included:

- Those on the Ground-Only package, owe \$65/person more to complete your payments.
- If as followers you changed from quad-occupancy, any occupancy costs will be reflected in your final amount due to us.
- Any chaperone credits will be reflected in your final payment due to us.
- If you arranged alternative return flights, you should have been contacted by our travel agency and worked directly with them to arrange your custom return flight. Any additional amounts due for your custom flights you will pay directly to them.

It is important that this payment be received on or before the due date, as we need to quickly turn it around and pay the tour company so they can purchase all our remaining event tickets. All payments should be made by check (made out to *Legacy Band Boosters*), cash, or through ISA transfer request. Please put the method of payment in an envelope and deposit in the Band room Booster Box.

Itinerary:

See below for the near-final itinerary. We say "near-final" as this is what we expect the details to be, but every trip I've been on has had some number of last-minute changes. We will do our best to adhere to this schedule but be advised things are subject to change for reasons beyond our control. The show times are locked down.

Flights:

Following are the flights that we will be spread across on the way out and back. Flight assignments have been made by Mr Stansberry and will be made available shortly. Not all flights are non-stop. All flights will have chaperones, so your students will have supervision to ensure they make their connections and navigate the airports. **We have been able to keep student and family followers on the same flight**, so there should be no issues with transportation to/from DIA. We will require students meet at the airport at least 2hrs before the scheduled departure time. **Details and exactly meeting times and locations will be provided at the Parent Meeting (see below).**

Sunday November 20, 2011

Denver - La Guarida WN 511/2512	730A - 430P (51 seats) via Baltimore
Denver - Newark WN 1011	1035A - 420P (70 seats) nonstop
Denver - La Guardia WN 117/1513	940A - 600P (56 seats) via Chicago Midway
Denver - La Guardia WN 3206/1183	1140A - 825P (56 seats) via Baltimore

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Newark - Denver WN 3845	725A - 955A (75 seats) nonstop
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Newark - Denver WN 2150/3258
Newark - Denver WN 1919

755A - 115P (59 seats) via Chicago Midway
1220P - 245P (62 seats) nonstop

Ground Option:

If you elected the Ground-only option (no flights) remember you **MUST ARRANGE YOUR OWN TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN THE AIRPORT AND HOTEL**. Your covered itinerary will start and end at the hotel; you will **NOT** be able to take the band's local transportation between the airport and hotel in either direction, even if you arrive/depart at nearly the same times.

Thanksgiving Dinner for Guests – NEW ITEM!

We are pleased to announce that the venue we selected for the Thursday Thanksgiving Day Dinner will be opened just for us. As such they can accommodate additional guests that may be visiting NYC and wish to join us. The price for guests to join us for this meal is \$60/person (no child rate). I realize that is steep, but it's Thanksgiving Day and it's NYC. It is a nice but traditional Thanksgiving Dinner (turkey and all the fixings!) Payments and reservations will be made with us separately (after the Sept 23rd payment). Details to follow.

Mandatory Meeting and other Requirements:

There will be a MANDATORY PARENT AND STUDENT MEETING for all those participating on November 14th at 6pm. At this meeting, you will receive the final Itinerary, instructions on what students will need to pack, how much spending money to send with them for extra meals, and other pertinent information for the trip. All school rules and regulations in accordance with school and band handbooks will be in effect for this trip. We will go over these in detail at the meeting. Also, all students and parents traveling with the band will be required to have a band polo shirt and khaki pants. See the band website for information on how to order the band polo shirts. If you know that your student will need to carry medication with them on this trip, you will need to contact Tammi Vigil in the Legacy High School Clinic to get the proper release form signed by your student's doctor.

ALL students need to have an ID in order to travel and check in. School IDs will work, but a state issued ID is preferred. Be sure to bring the ID that matches the info you provided for the flight manifest so it matches the ticket!

This will be an experience that the students will never forget! The performance in the Parade will also be a great experience for students and will bring National exposure to the Legacy High School Band program as well as to the great state of Colorado. If you have any questions, please contact Mr Jasica at the contact information below.

Sincerely,

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Near-Final Itinerary

Sunday, November 20, 2011

Departure

a.m. Departure from Denver International Airport to New York
afternoon/evening Arrival at hotel and Check in to hotel. Meals on your own.

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Monday, November 21, 2011

New York Sightseeing

a.m. Breakfast at the hotel
9-10 a.m. **Rehearsal** at the hotel
10:30 Trip to Liberty State Park for ferry to Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty (small groups with Chaperones.) Subway Tickets will be provided.
Walk over to **Wall Street or/and** walk the streets of **Little Italy** and **Chinatown**
Spend some time on your own to visit **5th Avenue** and **Times Square**
Early Evening Dinner (at own expense)

5:15, 5:30 p.m. Meet in Front of the 911 Memorial
5:30, 5:45 p.m. Enter the 911 Memorial (Museum still closed/ Pools only)
6:30 p.m. Board the coaches and transfer Uptown to Radio City Music Hall
8:00 p.m. **Christmas Show with the Rockettes at Radio City Music Hall**
10:30 p.m. Return back to the hotel

Tuesday, November 22, 2011

New York Sightseeing

a.m. Breakfast at the hotel
9–10:00 a.m. **Rehearsal** at the hotel
Coach transfer to Manhattan
12:00/12:15/12:30/12:45/1:00/1:15p.m. 60 minute **NBC Studio Tour**.
1:15/1:30/1:45/2:00/ 2:15/2:30p.m. Enjoy view of New York from the **Top of the Rocks Observatory Deck**
Lunch at own expense
Afternoon in small groups w Chaperones in 5th Ave, Times Square, Central park or museums.
5:00pm Dinner at Cucina & Co overlooking Rockefeller Plaza Ice Rink
6:10pm Walk to Majestic Theater
7:00pm Enjoy Broadway musical Phantom of the Opera
10:00 p.m. Return to the hotel

Wednesday, November 23, 2011

New York Rehearsal

a.m. Breakfast at the hotel
Transfer to Manhattan
Walk the parade route in small groups
Noon Lunch (at own expense)
2:00 – 4:00 p.m. **Full rehearsal at Meadowlands**
5:30 p.m. Group **Spaghetti Dinner** at the hotel
Retire early

Thursday, November 24, 2011

Macy's Parade / Thanksgiving Dinner

early a.m. Transfer to Manhattan for Macy's Practice
5:00 a.m. – 6:15 a.m. Breakfast at Planet Hollywood
9:00 a.m. **Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade**
After the parade return back to the hotel
5:00 p.m. Transfer to Manhattan for your dinner
6:00 p.m. **Thanksgiving Dinner** at **Café Centro** restaurant
8:00 p.m. Return back to the hotel
Relax the rest of the evening at the hotel

Friday, November 25, 2011

Return Flights to Colorado

a.m. Transfer to the Airport (Newark or La Guardia) and fly back to Denver