

JENISON



ORCHESTRAS

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Orchestra Trip to Orlando, Florida November 19 - 25, 2012 \$750.00 per person

Thank You for being here. Tonight is to answer questions, get information, and plan a strategy to make this happen for our kids, if that is what you want for your child. Please ask questions tonight but also remember to call, e-mail, or send notes with your student at any time. Our goal is 100% understanding of the intent of this trip and the opportunities to make it happen.

Sincerely

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Tonight's Agenda

- ◆ Why should the Orchestra travel? What are the goals of this trip?
- ◆ What is Disney's Your Instrumental Program?
- ◆ What does the trip cost?
- ◆ What does that include?
- ◆ Itinerary of trip
- ◆ Why Thanksgiving?
- ◆ How do I pay for it? How will JOPA help?
- ◆ \$crip
- ◆ Meijer Rewards/Family Fare
- ◆ Other Fundraisers
 - Cookie Dough
 - Summer Pop Can Drive
 - Smart Card Sale
- ◆ Schedule for trip payments, etc?
- ◆ Open Forum (Questions)
- ◆ Adjournment

Tentative Trip Itinerary

Subject to multiple changes

Monday, Nov. 19, 2012

Sunday Evening - All luggage delivered to high school orchestra room.

3:30 p.m. Meet chaperones in orch. room

4:00 p.m. Depart for Orlando, FL
3 meals en-route

Tuesday, Nov. 20th, 2012

4:00 p.m. Arrive Magic Kingdom
Meal coupon provided for dinner in Magic Kingdom

10:00 p.m. View Wishes Fireworks on Main Street in Magic Kingdom

10:30 p.m. Depart for Hotel

11:00 p.m. Hotel Check-in
Fairfield Inn Orlando
Lake Buena Vista
HWY 535
407-938-4946
Private Security Provided

Wednesday, Nov. 21st, 2012

7:30 a.m. Breakfast by Hotel
Breakfast Buffet at: (included)
The Golden Coral Restaurant

8:30 a.m. Symphony Orch. departs for Your Instrumental Workshop
Concert Orch. departs for Epcot Center theme park
Lunch coupon provided for lunch

1:00 p.m. Concert Orch. meets in park for Your Instrumental Wkshp

5:30 p.m. Return to hotel for dinner

8:00 p.m. Return to Epcot for Illuminations

Thursday, Nov. 22nd, 2012

9:00 a.m. Breakfast by Hotel
Breakfast Buffet at: (included)
The Golden Coral Restaurant

10:00 a.m. Depart for Give Kids the World

Thurs. (cont.)

10 - 3 Volunteer, perform, and participate in the Give Kids the World Winter Carnival

4:00 p.m. Depart for Hotel and change for Thanksgiving Dinner

6:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner at the Rosen Plaza - included

8:00 p.m. Return to hotel

Friday, Nov. 23rd, 2012

8:00 a.m. Breakfast at Rainforest Cafe (provided)

9:30 a.m. Depart for Downtown Disney (lunch coupon provided)

Noon Performance at Downtown Disney

2:00 p.m. Depart for Animal Kingdom Park - dinner at park.

6:30 p.m. Depart for Hollywood Studios

7:30 p.m. View Fantasmic Show

9:00 p.m. Return to Hotel

Saturday, Nov. 24th, 2012

8:00 a.m. Breakfast at Golden Coral after breakfast load busses and check-out of hotel room with chaperone

10 a.m. Depart for Hollywood Studios - lunch in park.

5 p.m. Load busses and depart for Jenison, MI. Meals en route on own

Sunday, Nov. 30th, 2008

Student lead Sunday observance will be provided for students during return trip.

6:00 p.m. Estimated time of arrival in Jenison, MI

Common Questions

What does the fee include?

Our main goal is to limit your child's out of pocket expenses. The only REQUIRED costs will be for about 5 fast-food meals (2 breakfast, 2 lunch, 1 dinner). These are on the bus ride down and back. All expenses once we are in Orlando are covered. The only expenses your child will have in Orlando are if they choose to do any shopping. All other expenses are covered.

Included items:

Access to all parks for 4 days	Professional Private Hotel Security
Motor coach transportation	Liability Insurance for trip
Magical Music Days Clinic	Performance in Disney World
3 Buffet Breakfasts at Golden Coral	1 Breakfast at Rainforest Cafe
4 meals in theme parks	Hotel Accommodations (4 kids / room)
Thanksgiving Buffet Dinner	for 5 nights.
Many other surprises	

Does my child have to go?

Absolutely not! This does not affect a student's grade, status in class, or any aspect of their orchestra standing. This is an opportunity that past students have LOVED and we find to be very educationally beneficial, but it is not required. That being said, JOPA and the directors do not want any student to not participate because of financial concerns. Please do not let money be the reason that your child does not attend.

Can my family participate or go along?

Yes, and no. Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Scott cannot be responsible for family members at any time. If the student is not in the orchestra they cannot ride on the bus. You and your family are welcome to travel to Orlando, find your own accommodations and join us for every step of our trip. We **will** make your reservations for Thanksgiving Dinner. We would love to have as many family members join us as possible, but that is the only service we can provide. Reservations for dinner will be taken in the fall of 2012. Anyone is welcome to our performances and downtown Disney is free - so there is no admission charge. Our clinics will be restricted to only the students and the directors - parents are not permitted.

What expenses will my child have?

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Can I chaperone?

Usually we are fortunate to have many people volunteer to chaperone. Chaperones will have to pay \$725 for the trip so that we can keep the price as low as possible for the kids. Chaperones will be selected in the following order: JOPA Board Members, Senior Parents, Junior Parents, Sophomore Parents, Freshmen Parents. Usually male chaperones are harder to find, so sometimes priority will be given to mother and father teams.

Trip Payment Schedule

In order to make this trip reasonable, JOPA creates a payment schedule for families to better afford the trip. This payment plan is a suggested schedule, but is flexible. Please discuss with Mr. Scott if you are unable to make a payment etc.

Friday, January 13th	\$100 non-refundable deposit
Friday, February 24th	\$75 Payment
Friday, March 23rd	\$75 Payment
Friday, April 27th	\$75 Payment
Friday, May 25th	\$75 Payment
Friday, July 20th	\$150 Payment
Friday, Sept. 14th	\$100 Payment
Friday, Oct. 12th	\$100 Payment

Attached are Payment Coupons. Please turn in the coupons with every payment to insure appropriate credit to your account. We are making a reservation for your child. Students who cancel make things difficult for us and could prevent another student from coming, but the only portion of the payment that is non-refundable is the \$75 deposit.

Trip Intent Form

I _____ plan to attend the Orchestra trip to Orlando Florida.
students name

I understand that ALL school rules are in affect for the duration of this trip and plan to represent the Jenison Orchestra Program with the highest level of maturity and respect that is due our school, community, and families.

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Chaperone Interest

We will have a need for several chaperones, but cannot promise that the cost will be any different for chaperones (although we are pursuing this further). Preference will go to JOPA board members and then to Senior Parents, etc.

_____ I (we) would be interested in chaperoning the orchestra trip.

_____ Parent(s) Name(s)