



George Wythe High School Band

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Dear George Wythe High School Band Parents and Students:

The George Wythe High School Band is planning a trip to the Universal Studios Resort in Orlando, Florida on March 22-26, 2017. This trip will give students and the directors the opportunity to compete against bands from all over the country. The band will perform a concert performance before highly experienced adjudicators and will receive immediate feedback and a live workshop on stage with one of the judges. This is an excellent opportunity for our students to perform in a professional and world-class, public venue to promote the highest level musicianship from the George Wythe Band students. The trip is not a graded activity and not required, but it is our hope that every student will take part in this once in a lifetime experience. All members of the GWHS Concert Band, Percussion Ensemble, and 8th-12th grade members of the Marching Band & Color Guard are invited to attend. Parents that would like to chaperone are invited to sign up and depending on the spots available will be picked on a first come first serve basis.

The band will depart from GWHS, after school, on Thursday, March 22 and return on Monday, March 26. The price of the trip includes all necessary services with the exception of meals during the bus ride to and from Florida.

Estimated Trip Cost: \$600 per student or chaperone based on a quad room rate. The final trip cost will vary depending upon the number of participants and the success of fundraisers. To make the cost of the trip more manageable, it will be broken down into 5 payments with an initial non-refundable deposit of \$140. Our goal is that by giving our students and their family ample notice, smaller amounts, and more disbursed payment dates, that this trip will be more financially feasible for every member. All checks should be made out to the George Wythe High School Band Boosters.

- **September 29 - \$140**
- **October 27 - \$115**
- **November 30 - \$115**
- **January 31 - \$115**
- **February 26 - Remaining Balance**

Fundraisers: The GWHS Band Boosters, Mr. Lee and the Band Directors have already begun putting together a comprehensive fundraising plan to prepare for this trip. Students and parents will have several opportunities to raise money for their individual accounts for their trips including, but not limited to, car washes, "Butter Braids," and pizza kits. The boosters are planning on helping cover some of the transportation cost. They have plans to do several fundraisers including, football concessions, the Band Festival, Bojangles Night, among others.

Please fill out and return the attached agreement with your trip deposit by September 29. More information is available on the band website <http://www.maroonband.com>. If you have any questions, please email me @ daniel.wilner@wythek12.org.

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Universal Studios Trip 2017 Intent to Participate Form

Please fill out and return the form below along with your nonrefundable \$140 deposit per student/chaperone by September 29. Please make all checks out to the George Wythe High School Band Boosters.

Universal Studios Trip Expectations

Students must adhere to the George Wythe HS/Scott Memorial MS Code of Conduct as well as the GWHS Band Handbook at all times during this trip. Students are expected to conduct themselves in such a manner that reflects positively on not only the music department, but Wythe County Public Schools as a whole.

Payment Schedule

September 29 - \$140 Payment, October 27 - \$115 Payment, November 30 - \$115 Payment, January 31 - \$115 Payment, February 26 – Remaining Balance

SIGN & RETURN WITH TRIP DEPOSIT(S) BY SEPTEMBER 29, 2017

I have read and I understand the Universal Studios Trip expectations and policies. I understand that this form reserves a space for the student(s) and chaperone(s) listed below. I also understand that if my child or anyone signed up to chaperone is unable to participate in the trip, the initial deposit will not be returned.

Printed Student Name(s)

Printed Parent\Guardian Name

Parent\Guardian Email Address

Phone Number

(Optional) Printed Chaperone Name(s)

Parent\Guardian Signature

Date

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George Wythe High School Band Orlando – OrlandoFest 2018

- Thursday: Depart Wytheville, VA at 9:00 PM for an approximate 12 hour trip
March 22
- Friday: Arrive Orlando at approximately 9:00 AM and meet tour director
March 23
Breakfast en route at own expense
Park-to-Park admission between Universal Studios, Islands of Adventure and Volcano Bay
Lunch and dinner in park with meal voucher
Hotel check-in
- Saturday: Breakfast at hotel
March 24
Performance as scheduled by **OrlandoFest**
Park-to-Park admission between Universal Studios, Islands of Adventure and Volcano Bay
Lunch and dinner in park with meal voucher
Awards Ceremony as scheduled by **OrlandoFest**
- Sunday: Breakfast at hotel
March 25
Park-to-Park admission between Universal Studios, Islands of Adventure and Volcano Bay
Lunch in park with Universal Dining Card
Dinner at Hard Rock Café
- Monday: Breakfast at hotel
March 26
Hotel check-out depart for home at 10:00 PM
Meals en route at own expense
Arrive George Wythe High School 10:00PM

- TRIP INCLUDES:**
- 3 nights hotel accommodations interior corridors (quad occupancy)
 - 3 night private hotel security
 - 3 breakfast, 3 lunch vouchers, 2 dinner vouchers and 1 Hard Rock Cafe dinner
 - Universal Studios/Islands of Adventure/Volcano Bay 3 Day 3 Park-to-Park
 - All admissions, entrance fees and taxes
 - Adjudicated performance with digitally recorded and written comments
 - Personalized educational clinic conducted by a select adjudicator
 - Exclusive OrlandoFest award for each ensemble
 - Spectacular OrlandoFest awards ceremony at Universal Orlando Resort
 - Director's Gift
 - Lanyards, and luggage tags for all participants
 - Keepsake DVD
 - Professional tour director