

Davison High School Band & Orchestra Trip

April 11th -15th 2012

New Orleans

This trip is considered a school function, therefore, *ALL RULES, REGULATIONS, AND GUIDELINES OUTLINED IN THE STUDENT HANDBOOK ARE IN EFFECT AT ALL TIMES! Additional rules and guidelines which are set by Mr. Schuster must also be followed. *Cell phones will be allowed for the duration of the trip; however, they will need to be placed on vibrate after a certain time at night as directed by your head bus chaperones. No calls will be allowed after this time unless for emergencies. We reserve the right to remove a phone from a student if there is a problem.

GENERAL GUIDELINES AND RULES FOR STUDENTS

At all times during the trip, students are to remember that they are representing Davison Community Schools as well as the Davison Community and are to behave in a reasonable manner. Unnecessary and untimely yelling, screaming, and/or other forms of disruptive or destructive behavior or horseplay are not acceptable. **This trip and any activities while on this trip are a privilege which can be denied to anyone not following the guidelines and rules.**

Anyone using a sound device, or lap top computer, **must use headphones** while on the bus or in public places. They must keep the volume at a level where it cannot be heard by anyone else. While in hotel rooms, discretion is to be used regarding volume.

Students will be at all scheduled functions at the designated times. We have a full schedule so it is imperative that we adhere to our time table. Unless otherwise stated students and chaperones are to be at the loading site with all the necessary equipment and/or luggage at least 15 minutes prior to the Departure!

Due to circumstances beyond our control, all times and events listed on the itinerary are subject to change. All participants, students, and adults, will be advised of changes ASAP and must be **flexible** and follow the revised schedule.

While traveling, students **WILL use the "GROUP or BUDDY SYSTEM"**.

The students are encouraged to pack light when visiting tourist attractions due to increased security. Students may need to have back packs, purses etc. inspected. A small fanny pack or just the use of pant pockets is recommended.

FIRST AID

While traveling by bus students may seek first aid from their head bus chaperone if they require Tylenol, antacids, band-aids etc. All other times students will be informed where the medical bag will be located.

BUS & Loading GUIDELINES

All luggage, instruments, carry-on bags, garment bags, etc., shall be clearly marked with the student's name and home or schools address.

Bus & Loading Guidelines cont.

While on the bus students may eat and drink beverages from **unbreakable** containers. Before disembarking from Davison all beverages shall be in their original unopened container. Students are to properly dispose of any bottles, cans or other trash. Students **will not leave a mess!** Any student or group of students not cleaning up after themselves may lose their eating/drinking privileges while on the bus and may be moved to a different seat. Students must remove all their necessary items when disembarking from their bus.

Any time luggage and/or instruments need to be loaded or unloaded; **ALL STUDENTS WILL** assist as directed by the chaperones.

HOTEL GUIDELINES

Students need to check their room for damage as soon as they check in to the hotel. **Any damage must be reported to their Room Chaperone immediately.** **ANY MISSING ITEMS or DAMAGE to ROOMS or FURNISHINGS WILL BE CHARGED TO THE STUDENTS (and the students parents) OF THAT ASSIGNED ROOM.**

Students are not allowed to order room service or anything else that would require additional charges or payment; with the exception of a Pizza delivery. **HOWEVER,** deliveries will only be made if permission is granted by Mr. Schuster and will be delivered to the **hotel lobby and not to the student's room.** Telephone calls for pizza will be placed by use of pay phones or cell phones.

Any time a student leaves their assigned room vacant they must lock the door and take the key. They are not to leave the room unlocked and unattended.

Students will not disturb other guests at the hotel. Students should not run in the hallways, or slam doors. They are to keep their voices, the volume on TV's and sound equipment etc., at a reasonable level (by adult standards). Students **must wear shoes** at all times in the hotel this includes the walk to and from the pool.

Before curfew students are allowed to visit with friends in other rooms with the door open at all times. During curfew hours, all students will remain in **their assigned rooms** with **their doors locked and dead bolted.** Students are to open their door only to Mr. Schuster or a Davison chaperone (they will be wearing a Davison chaperone name tag). Room phones are not to be used to call other students rooms after curfew. Students are not to call other guests rooms. **Students are not to leave the hotel at any time unless the whole group leaves for a specific location as stated on the itinerary**

At check out time students are responsible for collecting all of their things. After check out time the rooms will be inspected for damage by a designated chaperone. Students will leave their room in a tidy manner. At check-out students **do not** leave their rooms until their chaperone has released them.

PERFORMANCE SITE GUIDELINES

Students are responsible for being in warm-up and performance on time and in their concert uniform. ***Before, during, and after performances*** students shall have shirts tucked in, bowties and cummerbunds on correctly, with appropriate color. Sleeves on shirts are not to be rolled up.

While each Davison group performs, all students are expected to be present in the performance room to support the performing group. Students may be required to attend other schools performances if requested by Mr. Schuster. Students are to observe proper concert etiquette during all performances.

OTHER GUIDELINES

Chaperones will act as a liaison between students and staff. Any reasonable request from a chaperone to a student should be taken by the student as if it were made by Mr. Schuster.

We will have a designated chaperone to provide a banking service for students if they so desire. The banker will be responsible for holding money for students until it is needed. The banker will receive the money at the beginning of the trip and give it to the student each morning as directed by the student or parent. Any money collected will be kept in the hotel safe. It is not mandatory for students to use this system, but if you think your student may not have enough money on the return trip home for food (because they purchased too many souvenirs), we highly recommend using the banking system. Please place all money in an envelope with the student's name and the dollar amount enclosed; also indicate how much money to save for the return trip.

After returning to Davison, students need to check with Lost and Found to make sure they did not lose anything.

LUGGAGE & ATTIRE

Please Note- We are not responsible for any lost or stolen valuables or property

Students are allowed the following:

- One suitcase of reasonable size
- One garment bag
- Their concert uniform in its garment bag
- One **small** carry-on bag (school back packs work well)
- One **small** pillow and blanket

NOTE!!!!!! NOTHING other than students issued uniforms are to be transported in the schools issued plastic garment bag. Nor shall shoes or anything else lie in the bottom of the bag. If the student needs to pack a nice outfit please provide your own garment bag.

MEALS & SPENDING MONEY

Some meals on the trip are paid for; others will be the responsibility of the student. Recommended meal money is \$50.00 for 1 dinner, 3 lunches, 1 breakfast and snacks while there and on bus ride there and home. Additional money for souvenirs is at the discretion of the parents or student.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Students and chaperones should not leave their vehicle in the school's parking lot while on the trip. Please make arrangements for someone to drop you off or to pick up your vehicle.

Addresses & Locales

Toll free number for Educational Tours that you may use to reach someone in an

Emergency is: 1-800-654-4560 if no one can be reached you may call:

Marie Yoder (810) 240-4668

Or Gary Minto (810) 691-1904

Other available phone numbers for emergencies or for information on our return time: Davison High School 591- 3531 ext. 0 or our designated Davison parent is Mrs. Christy Flowers 810-743-4416 home 810-240-1288 cell.

