

New York 2012

April 13-16

Why Travel?

- Perform in a Music Festival and work with Festival Clinicians
- Provide an educational opportunity to the students -Give the students a chance to experience part of their country and enjoy the Arts
- Traveling as a group encourages team building
- Helps keep students interested in the performance opportunities offered to them

Why NY?

- Culture and history of New York City
- Great area attractions and activities
- Broadway Show

Costs:

Right now we are looking at approximately \$675-\$775. We are trying to reduce this cost. Please understand that we will do everything possible to make sure the trip will not exceed \$775. As we go through the year you will receive updates letting you know how we are doing. During the year we will be doing several fundraisers to give your student the opportunity to raise money for the trip. They are not mandatory, but the more you do, the less you have to pay. Get involved with fundraising! Last time a few students actually had money from their original deposits refunded back to them before the trip because they participated so much. That could be your child!

Listed below are the payment guidelines that we MUST follow in order to have a successful trip. You may send in a payment at any time during the school year, but by the dates listed you MUST have the determined amount of money. If people do not meet the deadlines set, we may be left to face unnecessary fees.

Payment Rules:

- Cash or check made out to Millbury High School
- Please put in a sealed envelope with your child's name on it

Payment Deadlines:

\$75 Non-Refundable Payment Due October 14	\$75
1 st Payment Due November 18	\$225
2 nd Payment Due January 4	\$250
3 rd Payment Due March 2	\$225

Total \$775

*Numbers will change for the last payment if the cost of trip is reduced.

Should a student cancel, you will be responsible for the Non-Refundable Payment and any other out of pocket non-refundable expenses that have been forwarded to any supplier or vendor on behalf of the group. (Tour tickets, fees, shows, etc.)

Website:

There is a place on my website, under "Information," "Travel" for info, updates, news, fundraising and any other information. Please check the website for updates frequently.

Fundraisers:

- Flower Bulb Fundraiser
- Magazine Drive
- Poinsettia Sale
- & many more!

If anyone has any ideas please attend one of the Millbury Music Parents Association Meetings, the first Thursday of every month. The next meeting was rescheduled for Thursday, September 29th at 6:00.

Scheduling Issues:

Right now I do not see any scheduling issues with the trip. We will only miss one day of school the Friday prior to April vacation. The Monday we return is a holiday and the start of April Vacation so please plan accordingly.

Other Costs:

As of right now these are the meals you will need to pay for on your own. We will do our best to find a reasonably priced restaurant. Please use the following as a guide to help.

- Souvenirs
- Food

Breakfast: 0
Lunch: 4 @ Estimate \$5-\$15
Dinner: 2 @ Estimate \$15-\$30
Total \$50-\$120

Chaperones:

Staff Traveling:

Mr. Ferreira

School Administrator

Nurse

Parent Chaperones:

With the current figures, we will only be able to take 4 parent volunteers. Room, board, and transportation is being provided to thank you for your time but we may ask you to pay a small fee for activities, tours and included meals. This will help keep the costs down. This will be discussed at the next parents meeting. In the past people paid a small amount to help.

Parents will be chosen by a lottery system to ensure fairness. Also they must be an active member in the MMPA and go through a Cori/Background check. A letter will be sent home in October with more details.

School Rules:

All School Rules do apply on the trip. Safety is our number one concern and goal, and students must adhere to school rules and policies. If a student breaks a school rule depending on the severity, a parent/guardian will be notified and the student must be picked up within 12 hours of the incident at the student's expense and taken home by a parent/guardian. Students must be in good academic standing with the school and abide by all school rules in order to participate.

Even if your child is age 18 or over, they need to understand that they are traveling with the school group and need to abide by our policy as their safety is my responsibility.

Other Notes:

Suburban Tours offers an insurance policy. When we went to Washington DC I signed up for it for every person traveling because that was the trend back then with Swine Flu and other sicknesses. This year we are making it optional. You need to decide by the first payment. It will add money to your account for the trip and payment 1. If you are interested I can get you the official info. Normally with each school there are a handful of people that elect to sign up for this coverage.

\$19 Basic Insurance: Cancel if there is a death, sickness (it is very specific)

\$28 Cancel any Reason

9/11- We are trying to make it a priority to visit the site of 9/11. The city has put lots of restrictions as far as timing with regard to tour groups. We should probably be able to make it happen, but might need to sacrifice something off of the itinerary. As it looks, the Yankee Stadium Tour may need to be omitted in order to make this happen. As I find out more information I will make it available to you.

If you are interested in helping out with fundraising and learning more, please come to the next MMPA Meeting Thursday September 29th, at 6:00.

As always if anyone has any questions please contact me. First be sure to check out the Music Department Website for the latest updates.

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*This document has been read and approved by:
September 14, 2011*

Mr Ferreira

Principal:

Vice Principal:

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Student Name:

Please check one: (and answer why if applies)

We understand the policies enforced as presented to us along with the overall cost and payment plan that the trip will be, and are willing to participate.

We regret that we will not be able to participate in this year's trip.

Why? _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

If you are traveling with us please answer the following questions for planning purposes. A medical form will follow at a later date.

Name:

Grade:

Phone:

Parent Email:

Does student have any allergies? If so what?

Does the student require any special medications? If so what?

Any other health concerns or issues we should know about?