

NEW ORLEANS, LA - 2012

Cell Phones

- Check your plan to see what roaming charges you may have
- Possibly change to an "national plan" for the month?
- Please give your cell phone number to the Teachers (for emergency use)

Emergency Cards

- Each of you will receive an emergency card with the teacher's and your chaperone's cell phone #'s, hotel address and phone number, and Educational Tour's 800-number
- YOU MUST KEEP THIS ON YOUR PERSON AT ALL TIMES.
- Add to the card YOUR CHAPERONE'S phone, too (on the back of the card).

GENERAL TRIP RULES

Please read the list of rules and regulations carefully. All students and parents will be accountable for this information. Our first responsibility is to ensure the safety and responsible behavior of all of the students. Please read these expectations carefully. Ask questions if you do not understand any item.

- 1. All school rules are in effect for the duration of any DHS field trip.
- 2. Students are responsible for all meeting times. Please be early!
- 3. Students must remain in their room after curfew.
- 4. No Student is allowed in the room of a member of the opposite sex. Students will be sent home immediately for violating this rule.
- 5. Respect all chaperones and staff.
- 6. Students must remain on the hotel "campus" at all times while the group is on hotel grounds.

FAILURE TO ADHERE TO THESE RULES MAY RESULT IN:

- □ School consequences upon return to DHS
- □ Loss of certain privileges
- □ Change in curfew time
- □ Potential loss of all future DHS travel privileges
- □ Being sent home

CERTAIN BEHAVIORS MAY AUTOMATICALLY
RESULT IN YOU BEING SENT HOME AT YOUR
EXPENSE.

AND YET MORE ...

* In addition to the above rules, students will be held accountable for any behavior that they knew, or reasonably should have known, to be dangerous to themselves or others, against the law, disrespectful to property or people, or behavior that is continually disruptive resulting in a negative experience for others.

ABOUT BEING SENT HOME ...

If major infractions occur on the trip, parents may be held responsible for their DHS students, which would mean arranging for transporting the student home from the trip. If students break local or state laws and are subsequently turned over to authorities, parents/guardians or their representatives may be responsible for student travel back to Wisconsin.

BEING ON TIME

We are frequently going to be on a tight schedule. It will be necessary to bring all members of the group together at the appointed time and place without delay. Promptness will be essential. Make your own clothing and equipment checks before you leave you hotel room. You may not have a second chance. BE SURE YOU ARE WHERE YOU NEED TO BE WHEN YOU NEED TO BE. If you are not you will be confined to the hotel or sent home.

NEVER GO ANYWHERE ALONE

- While we are touring the sites, you must be with a chaperone at all times. *Do not go wandering off without adult supervision*. Students who do will be sent home immediately. There will be plenty of time to see what you want to see.
- If you go off by yourself, you WILL be sent home.

BUS RULES

- 1. While traveling to and in the greater New Orleans area, we will travel together by motor coach. Students and chaperones will be assigned a bus for the 5 days in we are gone. Each bus will have an assigned teacher/chaperone leader and each student will have a chaperone that they will need to report to. Obey any and all instructions from the trip leaders.
- 2. Any student who damages, destroys, or defaces bus property will be held financially liable.
- 3. Do not distract the driver in any way.
- 4. Do not use flash cameras, flashlights or any other device that could distract the driver.
- Keep the bus clean. Food will be allowed on the bus as long as we keep the busses in good condition. Dispose of all garbage in garbage bags. Busses that need to be cleaned will be done so by the students.
- 6. Keep bus restrooms clean.

BUS RULES - CONT.

- 7. Do not stand or walk on seats or armrests.
- 8. Do not block aisles of busses.
- 9. Report to busses on time, every time.
- 10. Be sure to check with the chaperones when leaving the bus to find out how long we will be at that destination.
- 11. No instrument playing on the bus.
- 12. At all times, show courtesy and consideration for others traveling with you.
- 13. Failure to follow bus rules may result in revocation of trip privileges.

BUS - YET MORE ...

Bus has DVD/VCR

- If you would like to bring movies, please give them to Mr. Petersen by Monday
- Make sure they are labeled with your name.

HOTEL RULES

- Respect all hotel personnel. You are representing the Deerfield School District as well as our community. Respect other guests with appropriate language, politeness, promptness and orderly use of facilities.
- Do not leave the room after curfew for any reason.
- No members of the opposite sex in any room at any time. This will be strictly enforced. Violators will be sent home immediately.
- Checkout instructions will be given on the last night.
- Anyone found damaging, destroying, defacing or stealing hotel property will be held financially and legally liable. The hotel will bill you for items missing from the room.
- Any room charges will be the responsibility of the occupants. (phones and pay-per-view *should* be turned off.)
- Phones will be available to use room-to-room only. All long distance, calling card and local phone calls must be made from a pay phone in the lobby.
- PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR HOTEL ROOM OR ON THE BUS! You can put them in the hotel safe if necessary

MORE HOTEL STUFF...

• Please be courteous to the other hotel guests by keeping the noise down and conducting yourself appropriately at all times. At no time will you be allowed to enter the room of a member of the opposite sex or someone not with our group. During "lights out" time, you are expected to be in your assigned room with the lights off. Please get ready for sleep before this time. Security will be checking to see that all lights are turned off. Keep your door locked at all times and verify who is at the door before opening it. Also, be sure that you collect all of your belongings from the hotel during check out – once we leave you might not be able to retrieve them.

MUSIC UNIFORMS

- Concert attire for performance :
 - + Boys: Shirt, Tie, Slacks, Dress Shoes
 - + Girls: Dress, dress shoes

LUGGAGE

- Each student will be allowed, and responsible for, <u>one</u> suitcase, their instrument, and a garment bag for dress clothes. Each bag and instrument case must be clearly marked with the student's name. Please take a reasonable amount of clothing.
- Suitcase size and weight should not exceed the student's ability to carry it. Remember to save room in your suitcase for items purchased. One carry-on bag is also permitted on the bus. ALL LUGAGE WILL BE SEARCHED BEFORE WE DEPART AND WILL BE SUBJECT TO SEARCH AT ANY TIME DURING THE TRIP.
- ALL LUGAGE THAT WILL BE UNDER THE BUS MUST BE IN THE BAND ROOM ON TUESDAY MORNING BY 8:00 AM.

PACKING TIPS

- WEATHER: The average high temperature in New Orleans in March can be between 60° and 75°. Nighttime lows are around 50°. Please plan accordingly. Plan on dressing in layers.
- School dress code will be followed. This is extremely important as we are representing our school and community. Students should dress in such a way that is comfortable, but does not draw unneeded attention.
- List of suggested items in info packet that was sent home
- ** You may want to talk with your roommates about doubling-up/sharing things such as hairdryers, etc.

MAKE SURE YOU BRING:

- □ PICTURE ID
- DON'T VIOLATE SCHOOL DRESS CODE This includes boys!
- □ \$\$\$ for food YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR:
 - TUESDAY: BAG DINNER (WE WILL NOT STOP FOR DINNER)
 - WEDNESDAY: BREAKFAST & LUNCH
 - THURSDAY: LUNCH
 - FRIDAY: LUNCH
 - SATURDAY: LUNCH
 - SUNDAY: BREAKFAST

THINGS YOU CANNOT 8RING CD Players/iPods/Boom Boxes/Audio devices without headphones are not allowed. No loud music in hotel room or on bus any time. No glass containers on bus. No Game Consoles (Playstations, Xbox, etc.) Please limit amount of jewelry or valuables that you bring. We will not have time to help you find lost or stolen items - CELL PHONES INCLUDED Squirt Guns or Water Balloons are prohibited. Alcohol or illegal substances are strictly forbidden. There will be zero tolerance on

 $\hfill \Box$ Do not use nail polish, nail polish remover, strong perfume or cologne on bus.

DEPARTURE ON TUESDAY

□ Extra luggage!

After school, please go home, take a shower and change for the bus and then come back to school as soon as possible. You will not be able to take a shower again until Wednesday night. We will be loading the buses starting at 3:45 with a 4:30 departure. All students need to be at school NO LATER THAN 4:00 p.m.

SPENDING MONEY

- You NEED money for meals
- You may want money for souvenirs.

You may want to consider a debit card or a prepaid card.

PROJECT

• INFO FROM Bazan/Kohlwey/Thuecks

PICTURES FOR DVD

• Mr. Petersen will make a trip DVD at the end of the trip. If you would like some of your pictures included, please give your card/camera to Mr. Petersen.

ADVANCED MAKE-UP

- Each trip participant will be given an Advanced Make-up slip and will need to have their teachers fill it out for work to complete before or during the trip.
- You will need to show this completed form to a Trip Leader before you go on the trip.

Last, but not least...

- Remember to Respect Yourself, Respect Others, and Respect your TEACHERS.
- Remember that YOU are representing your school, your village, and your state.

Dinner Choices

- □ HARD ROCK CAFÉ
 - Cheeseburger
 - Bacon Cheeseburger
 - ■Grilled Chicken Sandwhich
 - ■Veggie Burger
 - ■Bar-B-Que Pork Sandwich
 - □Chicken Caesar Salad
 - Dessert & Beverage