



## DEERFIELD HIGH SCHOOL - NEW ORLEANS, LA MARCH 20-25, 2012

### BAND WEB PAGE –

Go to <http://www.deerfield.k12.wi.us/faculty/petersenr/neworleans2012trip.cfm> (or go to [www.deerfield.k12.wi.us](http://www.deerfield.k12.wi.us), click on High School, then ‘Teacher Web Pages,’ then ‘Music,’ then ‘Petersen,’ then ‘New Orleans 2012 Trip.’

*\*\* Visit the website for updated Itinerary, Information, and PHOTOS while we are in New Orleans \*\**

### TEACHER LIST

Robin Apold, Choir Director  
Angie Bazan, History Teacher  
Deb Kohlwey, English Teacher  
Ryan Petersen, Band Director  
Suzanne Thuecks, Science Teacher

### CHAPERONE LIST

Michael Bingham – father of Sierra Bingham  
Carri Bohn – mother of Carleen Bohn  
Ronda Erickson – mother of Cole Erickson  
Robert Johnson – father of Anthony Johnson  
Laura Larson – mother of Bryor Larson  
Lisa Moen – mother of Josh Moen  
Cheryl Nebel – mother of Eric Nebel



### EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

- Educational Tours: 1-800-654-4560 - 24-hour line. They will know where we are at all times and will have multiple ways of getting in contact with us.
- Mrs. Apold’s Cell Phone: 608-212-8306
- Angie Bazan’s Cell Phone: 608-235-8109
- Deb Kohlwey’s Cell Phone: 608-239-9335
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## GENERAL INFORMATION AND RULES SUMMARY

### I - 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 at any time. 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

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.

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.

*Here is a copy of the conduct agreement that students and parents signed earlier this year:*

### **DEERFIELD TRIP CONDUCT AGREEMENT**

*I \_\_\_\_\_(student's name) agree to abide by the following conduct agreement created by the directors of this trip. I fully understand that I will be responsible for my actions both in and out of the classroom. It is my responsibility to earn passing grades as well as behave in appropriate manner. I understand that the teachers have the right to revoke my privilege of participating in the New Orleans trip at any time for failure to comply with this agreement. This includes, but is not limited to: disrespect to the*

*teachers or other students, classroom violence, lack of participation, failing grades in any subject areas, truancy, tardiness, code violations, suspensions and multiple detentions. If I violate the co-curricular code for behavior reasons at any point during the school year, I will not be allowed to participate in this trip. I must also remain academically eligible for the entire third quarter. After January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012, I am responsible for the complete cost of the trip (even if I become ineligible to go and/or decide not to participate). I understand that I will be representing Deerfield High School during the entire trip and will be expected to act in an appropriate manner at all times. I also fully understand that if I violate this conduct agreement at any time during the trip that I will be sent home immediately at my own expense.*

### **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 your 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.

### **TOURING**

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.

### **BUS RULES - INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:**

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 which 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 leader(s).
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.
5. 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.
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.

*Be sure to check with the chaperones when leaving the bus to find out how long we will be at that destination.*

10. No instrument playing on the bus.
11. At all times, show courtesy and consideration for others traveling with you.
12. Failure to follow bus rules may result in revocation of trip privileges.

**HOTEL RULES – INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:**

1. 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.
2. Do not leave the room after curfew for any reason.
3. No members of the opposite sex in any room at any time. This will be strictly enforced. Violators will be sent home immediately.
4. Checkout instructions will be given on the last night.
5. 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.
6. Any room charges will be the responsibility of the occupants. (phones and pay-per-view *should* be turned off.)
7. 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.
8. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR HOTEL ROOM OR ON THE BUS! You can put them in the hotel safe if necessary

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.

## **PACKING TIPS**

*WEATHER: The average high temperature in New Orleans in March can be between 60° and 75°, with lows around 50°. Please plan accordingly. Plan on dressing in layers.*

## **UNIFORM/DRESS CODE**

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.

In addition, the following music uniform rules should be adhered to:

1. Respect the uniform. The uniform is not a prop or costume.
2. When not in use, uniform should be in garment bag and hung up.
3. Nothing other than the uniform items should be kept in the garment bag.
4. Uniforms must be maintained in good, wearable condition.
5. Mrs. Apold and Mr. Petersen will give uniform packing instructions prior to departure. It is important that students follow these instructions exactly as given. Failure to pack the uniform properly may result in a uniform that is not usable in performance.

## **LUGGAGE**

Each student will be allowed, and responsible for, **one** 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 LUGGAGE WILL BE SEARCHED BEFORE WE DEPART AND WILL BE SUBJECT TO SEARCH AT ANY TIME DURING THE TRIP.

ALL LUGGAGE THAT WILL BE UNDER THE BUS MUST BE IN THE BAND ROOM ON TUESDAY MORNING BY 8:00 AM.

## **PACKING OF EQUIPMENT**

All Brass and percussion instruments and cases must be packed under the bus. Make sure your case has a nametag. Woodwind instruments must be on the buses due to the damage cold weather will cause. **DO NOT LOCK YOUR CASES!** Large instruments (percussion, tuba, etc.) will be loaded first, then smaller instruments. *You are responsible for your instruments at all times during this trip!*

## **USE AND CARE OF INSTRUMENTS AND MUSIC**

Please make sure your instrument is clean, polished and in working order. Please make sure you have spare reeds, extra valve oil, etc. to keep your instrument in playing condition. Your instrument and music are like your wallet! It is your responsibility. You will be responsible to see that it is safely stored in your room or on the bus at all times that you are not playing it.

## **PACKING OF PERSONAL ITEMS**

Everyone is limited to one suitcase, a garment bag, and a carry-on. **DO NOT OVERPACK!** You will not need a lot of clothing. We will not reach the hotel until Wednesday night, (after spending all day in New Orleans), so make sure to have everything you need in your carry-on. The buses will not unload until we get to the hotel Wednesday Night.

WEDNESDAY MORNING – we will not have changing rooms Wednesday morning. Students can clean-up and change clothes at a rest stop on the way. We will not unload the buses for your suitcase – please have extra clothes with you on the bus.

## **PICTURE IDENTIFICATION**

Please have some form of picture identification with you at all times.

## **Individual Equipment and Wardrobe**

- Garment Bag
- Concert attire for performance :
  - Girls: Dress, dress shoes
  - Boys: Black pants, white shirt, bow tie, vest, black shoes, black socks
- We will be performing on Thursday. You will need your concert attire packed and ready to load the bus on Thursday morning.

## **INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT AND WARDROBE CHECKLIST**

All Music (Concert and Marching) will be collected by Mr. Petersen and Mrs. Apold  
Don't forget valve oil, extra reeds, cork grease, etc!

### CASUAL WEAR

- \_\_\_\_\_ Jeans
- \_\_\_\_\_ Shirts
- \_\_\_\_\_ Jackets / Sweatshirts
- \_\_\_\_\_ Socks
- \_\_\_\_\_ Comfortable shoes/footwear

### PERSONAL WEAR

- \_\_\_\_\_ Good Walking Shoes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pajamas
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sunglasses
- \_\_\_\_\_ Underwear

### NECESSITIES/OTHER ITEMS

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| _____ Shampoo / Hair Products   | _____ Toothbrush / Toothpaste          |
| _____ Watch – so you're on time | _____ Camera and Film                  |
| _____ Sunglasses                | _____ Eye / Contact Care               |
| _____ Hairbrush / Comb          | _____ Other beauty or hygiene products |
| _____ Hair Dryer                | you may use                            |
| _____ Deodorant                 |  |

\*\* You may want to talk with your roommates about doubling-up/sharing things such as hairdryers, etc.

### **THINGS YOU SHOULD NOT/MAY NOT BRING**

- 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 this issue.
- Extra luggage!
- Do not use nail polish, nail polish remover, strong perfume or cologne on bus.

### **OTHER ITEMS:**

#### **Departure on Tuesday –**

After school, please go home, take a shower, eat dinner, 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 5:30 with a 6:30 departure. All students need to be at school NO LATER THAN 6:00 p.m.

#### **Dinner on way to New Orleans:**

We will not be stopping for dinner on our way out of town. Please either eat before we leave or bring a “bag dinner” to eat on the bus.

#### **Spending Money:**

You will need money for four lunches (while in New Orleans), Two breakfasts (while en route), Souvenirs (and buying tea/coffee for your chaperones ☺ ). You may want to have your student use a cash card or pre-paid debit card. Most banks will offer these.

#### **Cell Phones:**

Depending on your cell phone plan, you may want to check ahead of time to see if we will be traveling in an area that is not covered in your current plan. This could avoid some unwanted phone/text “roaming” fees.



### **End of Quarter:**

We will be traveling during the end of our Third Quarter grading period. Students will miss the last three days of the quarter. They will need to check with their teachers ahead of time to make sure that they get their assignment/test and other work done before we leave.

### **End of Trip Assignment:**

Because this is a cross-curricular trip, all students will be responsible for completing a project upon return from New Orleans.

