Saturday, May 5, 2018

Dear Band Students and Parents:

I hope you are excited about our trip to Utah (Lagoon) as I am!! As I have been working the final details of our trip, I have a few things I need to let you know about.

Please look for an estimated itinerary & list of what to bring (your child should bring it home on Monday). I will also put the information on the school website, our school page on Facebook, and send the attachments through the Remind Text system.

I have underestimated the costs (for the competition, hotel & food), so I am asking your child/student bring extra money. Below is what I estimated compared with the actual:

**Estimated costs: Students about $60 Adults about $100**

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|  | Competition/Lagoon | Aquarium | Hotel | Food | Spending $ |
| Student | $15 | $5 | $15-20 | $20 | ?? |
| Adult | $20 | $7 | $40-50 | $20 | ?? |

**Actual costs: Students about $140 Adults about $125**

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|  | Competition/Lagoon | Aquarium | Hotel | Food | Spending $ |
| Student | $71 | $5 | $35 | $25-30 | ?? |
| Adult | $40 | $7 | $145-50/room | On own | ?? |

***\*\*We are using all of the money we raised from our fundraisers, but it will still not quite cover all of the costs.***

Each student will be given $15 food money for Friday night & Saturday lunch (we will eat pizza on the way down Friday). They will be responsible for the money for dinner the night we return home and any extra $ they want to spend on food. We will be stopping at Wendy’s—or another fast food—briefly on the way home.

When packing, please remember that we will have a full bus (40-42 students & chaperones). We need a snare drum & cymbals, other instruments, and overnight bags to all fit under the bus. Most (if not all) students will be doubled up on the bus.

I will have room & chaperone assignments finalized by Wednesday. Each chaperone will be assigned students that they are in charge of. The following adults will be chaperones: (on the busy) myself, Rusty Stewart, Jolene Johnson, Erica Perez, Yeimi Ruiz, & Amy Murdock. Driving down separately will be Simon’s parents (Hilary & Dylan). All adults will be at the aquarium, mall, hotel, competition (Layton High School) & Lagoon.

If your child/student will be taking a cell phone, I would like your permission to have that listed on my master list in case we need to get a hold of your child on the trip. If this is NOT acceptable to you, please write a note on the permission slip. Otherwise, have your child include their cell phone number on that permission slip.

If for some reason your child makes a poor choice and breaks any of the expectations/rules, you (as the parent) will be responsible to come and get them from Utah, or make arrangements for them to return early. All school expectations/rules are in place on this school trip. They represent our school, community, parents, teachers and themselves and should behave with those expectations in mind. (All students that participated in our District Band Competition were on their best behavior so I have high expectations!)

Thanks again for your support of our music program. I hope that it will continue to improve and grow each year.

If you think of any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Michelle Stewart