



MUSIC IN THE PARKS

Busch Gardens, Williamsburg, VA

MAY 10-11, 2019

FRIDAY, MAY 10:

Before STAR, students should deposit suitcases and instruments in the Band Room and **turn in any medication to the chaperone on duty (Ms. Vega) in the Band Room.** Students then report to their regular morning classes. **All students will be eating during 8th grade lunch.** Students may want to pack non-messy snacks and water for the bus ride.

- 10:30AM Chaperones meet in Auditorium for brief meeting
- 10:45 All student participants go to the auditorium right after START where Mr. Norris will review Arlington County Public Schools field trip regulations. Chaperones please attend.
- 11:37 ALL students proceed to 8th grade lunch
- 12:00PM Load buses:
- BUS 1 - Luggage will be neatly staged along BUS 1
 - BUS 2 (1st half) - Luggage neatly staged along BUS 2
 - BUS 2 (2nd half) - Jazz Ensemble Instruments neatly staged along BUS 2
 - BUS 3 - Non Jazz Wind instruments stored neatly along BUS 3
 - Inside buses / Overheads: Violins, Flutes, Clarinets and Oboes will be loaded in the passenger area of the buses in the storage area above the seats.
 - BUS 4 - Orchestra, Rhythm Section and Percussion will be neatly staged alongside BUS4. Inside buses / Overheads: Violins, Flutes, Clarinets and Oboes will be loaded in the passenger area of the buses in the storage area above the seats.
- 12:30 Depart Swanson for Williamsburg, VA (bus bosses to collect \$2.00 from each student for bus drivers after departure)
- 3:30 Arrive at Wyndham Garden Hotel Busch Gardens Area 201 Water Country Parkway Williamsburg, VA 23185
- 4:00 Check in and drop gear off in rooms
- 4:15 Assemble in Black & White dress in lobby with music and instrument
- 4:45 Depart Hotel for Bruton HS 185 East Rochambeau Drive Williamsburg, VA 23188
- 5:15 Symphonic Band warm up
- 5:40 Symphonic Band performance
- 6:05 Wind Ensemble warm up
- 6:30 Wind Ensemble performance
- 7:00 Depart for Lafayette High School 4460 Longhill Road Williamsburg, VA 23188
- 7:30 ****Dinner - Lafayette High School**, most likely on the bus**
- 8:10 Orchestra warm-up
- 8:35 Orchestra performance
- 8:35 Jazz Ensemble warm up
- 9:00 Jazz Ensemble performance
- 9:50 Load instruments, depart for hotel
- 10:30 All students in room
- 11:00 LIGHTS OUT, CHECKED BY CHAPERONES
Mr. Norris seals all rooms; security guard will monitor halls.



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SATURDAY, MAY 11:

- 06:30AM Wake up call. Get up earlier if you need more than 30 minutes to get ready for breakfast! Remember there are 4 of you in the room!!
Dress for the day: All students must wear their Swanson T-shirts and shorts or blue jeans. Be prepared for sunny and inclement weather. Pack jackets, ponchos, rain gear, sunscreen, etc.
- 07:00 Breakfast at the Hotel (buffet prepaid in trip fee)
Following breakfast, pack and check out of your room with assigned chaperone. Please note: This is the last time you will have your suitcase until we return to Swanson. Anything you need for the whole day and bus ride home must be in your pockets/backpack and carried with you onto the bus!!!
- 07:50 Meet in lobby, packed and ready to go. **Turn in keys to chaperone.**
- 08:00 Leave Wyndham Garden Hotel, depart for Busch Gardens
- 08:30 Arrive Busch Gardens: Parade Band unloads instruments in parking lot. **All other students need to take everything they need for the day in the Park!**
- 09:00 Parade Band warm up
- 09:10 Parade Band performance (non performing students can cheer on the parade route)
- 09:30 Parade Band load instruments, and **get items needed for the day in the Park! Our meeting point will be identified and park expectations instructions will be reviewed.** Students will be given entrance tickets.
- 10:00 Enter Busch Gardens together. A chaperone/director checkpoint will be established. **Please note: All students must be with at least one other Swanson student or chaperone at all times while in the park.**
- 12:00PM All students and chaperones meet outside **Big Ben Clock. This is a mandatory check-in for all students.** Pick up your meal voucher for lunch.
- 01:00 Last call, if you pick up your meal voucher at 1:00pm, you are late.
- 04:45 Head to Awards Ceremony together
- 05:00 Awards Ceremony at Royal Palace Theatre, Busch Gardens
- 03:00 Return to Busch Gardens. Last souvenir shopping, have dinner or get any snacks/food (not too messy...) for bus ride home.
- 07:00 Meet at chaperone checkpoint to return to buses as a group
- 07:30 Leave Busch Gardens and depart for Arlington
- 10:00 (Approximately) Arrive at Swanson, help unload buses/pickup for parents

Note: At both high schools, please be mindful that we are guest performers and observers. The schools have requested that we enter/exit through certain exits and that we are not allowed to be in hallways not designated for the music competition. Parent observers will not be allowed to enter the auditorium during a performance.