

## Scotch Plains-Fanwood HS Music Dept. Spring 2019



**Boston, MA**

**(Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup> to Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup>)**

*Dear Parents/Guardians,*

*The Spring Evaluation Trip is open to ALL students participating in the HS Music Program. This year the choral and instrumental groups and winter guard (no marching band) will travel via chartered bus to participate in the Festival of Music in Boston, MA.*

*Students will depart from the High School on the morning of Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup> and travel to Boston, MA and stay at the Hilton Boston Dedham hotel in Dedham, MA for 3 nights. Friday April 5<sup>th</sup> will be a day of fun planned activities. Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> will be a full day of performances to include Winter Guard, all choral and instrumental groups. On Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup> we checkout and go to the award ceremony before heading home. A preliminary outline of the itinerary is provided; performance times and the itinerary will be updated when times are confirmed.*

*The cost of the trip per student is **\$950.00**. All food will be covered except for the Lunch stop on Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup> in Connecticut Post Mall and Lunch stop on Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup> at the Mall Food Court or similar. Itemized details of the trip are provided below.*

***It is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED that all students sign-up for trip insurance. The cost will range from \$23 to \$37 per person based on the coverage chosen. If your student cannot attend due to illness, injured in sports or due to poor school attendance or disciplinary reasons, you will lose your payments therefore it is recommended to sign-up early for trip insurance with the first payment on Oct 19<sup>th</sup> to ensure you can get as much money back as possible. Last day to sign-up for the insurance is October 19, 2018***

### **TOUR INCLUDES:**

- Deluxe motor coach transportation from H.S. to Boston
- Three (3) Nights lodging at Hilton Boston Dedham
- Three (3) Buffet Breakfasts at hotel
- Festivals of Music Package which includes Competition & Award Ceremonies Day
- One (1) admission to Blue Man Group Boston at Charles Playhouse
- One (1) Boston Duck Tour
- One (1) admission to New England Aquarium
- \$15 per person for dinner at Faneuil Hall/Quincey Market
- One (1) Freedom Walking Tour
- One (1) Boston Harbor DJ Dinner Dance Cruise
- One (1) meal voucher for Eataly Boston
- One (1) Lunch provided on Festival Performance Day (sandwich/hoagie, chips, water & cookie or similar)
- One (1) Dinner provided on Festival Performance Day (TBA based on performance schedule)
- Two (2) Snacks provided on Festival Performance Day (A.M. & P.M. - water, fruit and snacks)
- Private Nighttime security guards from 11 PM - 5 AM

### **INSURANCE:**

**Optional Travel Insurance** - - Provides 100% Refund of trip payments made for Trip Cancellation up until departure date for covered reasons, such as injury, illness, parent main job loss, etc., which prevents you from traveling. It also provides for 75% Refund FOR TRIP CANCELLATION FOR ANY REASON up until 48 HOURS before trip departure, providing premium payment made with within 14 days of your first payment deposit to World Class Vacations. This coverage also includes medical expense, baggage damage and other coverage's listed on Policy Brochure. For a complete list of terms and conditions and to book, please visit the website at <http://www.wcv.com> and click on 'Travel Insurance' **COST: Only \$23 - \$37 Per Person**

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The Spring Evaluation Trip is open to ALL students participating in the HS Music Program. (No marching band). The trip cost is \$950.00 per student, which can be reduced by fundraising opportunities. This trip provides 4 days of camaraderie and competition that will create lifelong memories.

**Sign-up form is attached - Send it in!**

## PRELIMINARY ITINERARY (subject to change):

- Thursday: Depart HS in morning, Lunch stop in Connecticut (on your own), Dinner stop in Boston, Blue Man Group at Charles Playhouse, Arrive at Hilton Boston Dedham check-in.
- Friday: Breakfast, Duck Tours, Lunch, New England Aquarium, Freedom Walking Tour, Harbor Dinner DJ Dance Cruise.
- Saturday: Performance Day, all meals provided.
- Sunday: Breakfast, Check Out, Awards Ceremony, Stop for lunch in Mall Food Court (on your own).

## PAYMENT SCHEDULE

First Payment:	\$320.00, due by Oct. 19, 2018	SEE
Second Payment:	\$315.00, due by Dec. 14, 2018	CANCELLATION POLICY
Final Payment:	\$315.00, due by Jan. 18, 2018	BELOW

**OPTIONAL TRAVEL INSURANCE** is available and is highly recommended. Please visit [www.travelguard.com/wvc](http://www.travelguard.com/wvc) BEFORE OCTOBER 19, 2018

Check in the amount of \$320.00, payable to SPFMBA- Mail or drop off to:  
Al & Yvette Speranza, 2094 Westfield Rd Circle, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076  
NO LATER THAN Monday, October 19, 2018

**PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR CHILD'S NAME IN THE MEMO FIELD OF ALL CHECKS**  
Any questions? Email: [spfmusictrip@gmail.com](mailto:spfmusictrip@gmail.com)

**\*\*\* CHECKS ONLY payable to SPFMBA\*\*\***

**\*\*\* Please do not put trip forms/payments in Blue Box at school \*\*\***

**FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES:** See Music Booster website: [spfmusicboosters.org](http://spfmusicboosters.org)  
Opportunities are available to the students to help defray the cost of the trip. Fundraising credits will be applied toward the 2<sup>nd</sup> and the final payments. If you're unable to meet the payment schedule dates, please contact us to make alternate arrangements prior to the due dates.

## Cancellation Policy (separate from trip insurance policy)

- Cancellations before Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> 2018-no penalty  
Cancellations after Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> 2018 but before Jan 18, 2019-\$75 per person penalty  
Cancellations after Jan 18, 2019-**no REFUND** unless substitute found

Should you have questions, please don't hesitate to contact:  
Parent/Student Trip Liaison: Michael McKenna: [spfmusictrip@gmail.com](mailto:spfmusictrip@gmail.com)



**ANY AND ALL INFORMATION MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**



**TRIP SIGN-UP FORM**  
**Spring 2019 Music Department Trip**  
**Boston, Massachusetts**  
**Thursday April 4th to Sunday April 7th**

**YES, sign me up for the trip**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_ Male / Female  
(please circle)

Performance Group(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Student Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Student email: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PARENT/GUARDIAN: Contact information**

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone & Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone & Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone & Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read the trip letter and am aware it is highly recommended to sign my child up for trip insurance and the final price is subject to change due to possible fuel surcharges**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# **REMIND APP**

## **Sign Up Instructions**

**Student Sign up** – 1) Text 81010  
2) Send the message @spfmusic

**Parent Sign up** – 1) Text 81010  
2) Send the message @spfparents

**Chaperone Sign up** – 1) Text 81010  
2) Send the message @spfchaper