

NIMAS Band Parent Meeting Minutes 4/24/2019

Attendees:

- Mr. Zettlemoyer, President-Karen McLaughlin, Vice President-Cory Dailey, Co-Treasurers-Craig Bentzinger & Ed Bruno, Secretary-Lissette Trexler

Minutes taken by:

- Lissette Trexler

Executive Board Nominee Announcements:

- President Nominee
 - o Cory Dailey
- Vice President Nominee
 - o Lissette Trexler
- Co-Treasurers Nominees
 - o Ed Bruno, Cheryl Fritz and Jacqui Fortsch
- Secretary Nominee
 - o Tracey Luisser

Announcements:

- Jazz Café
 - o Saturday April 27th
 - o Tickets will be \$5
 - o Jazz Band Students will wear Jazz Band Uniform
 - o Students to report at 5:30pm
 - o Doors open at 6:30pm
 - o Turn in Advance Ticket Money
 - o Servers still needed

Remaining Early Morning Band Rehearsals:

- Monday and Thursdays
 - o Thursday, April 25th
 - o Monday, April 29th
 - o Thursday, May 2nd
 - o Thursday, May 9th
 - o Monday, May 13th
 - o Tuesday, May 14th
 - o Wednesday, May 15th
 - o Thursday, May 16th
 - o Monday, May 20th
 - o Wednesday, May 22nd

- Thursday, May 23th
- **NO EARLY MORNING BAND REHEARSAL ON**
- May 6th

Remaining Orchestra Rehearsals:

- Friday, April 26th
- Tuesday, April 30th
- Friday, May 3rd
- Wednesday, May 8th
- Friday, May 10th
- **Spring Concert May 8th at 7pm**

New LHS Band Members Meeting:

- May 30th
- 6:30pm-8pm
- LHS Band Room
- For 8th Graders
- Orchestra students can pick up their instruments on June 6th
 - Time TBA

Jazz Band Rehearsals:

- Wednesday, May 1st
- Tuesday, May 7th
- Performance during school
- Students must wear Blue ID shirt and Jeans

Spring Concert:

- May 8th
- 7pm

Uniform Refit Night:

- Will be at next NIMAS meeting
- May 14th
- 5-7pm
- Students should try uniform on before meeting

May NIMAS Meeting:

- May 14th
- 7:30pm
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Tag Along Bus to Washing DC:

- Tickets still available
- Information on NIMAS Website
- Open to family and friends
- \$40 a ticket
 - o Includes tax, Tip & Fees

Trip Highlights:

- ***Spirit of Washington Lunch Cruise***
- ***Arlington National Cemetery***
 - o Clip so everyone can have an idea on what we will be seeing
 - o Historical and Educational
 - o Stay together as a group
 - o Walk in an orderly fashion
 - o NO RUNNING
 - o Follow the guides directions
- ***Tomb of the Unknown Soldier***
 - o Changing of guard ceremony
 - o YOU CANNOT TALK DURING THIS WHEN WE ARE THERE
 - o Watch and Observe
 - o Do Not be Disrespectful
 - o Follow Rules
 - o No Sitting
 - o No Talking
 - o Photos and Video are permitted
- ***Dinner at Hard Rock Café***
- ***Memorial Day Concert:***
 - o Clip of concerts shown
 - o On PBS every year:
 - o May 26th we will be there!
- ***Check in to Hotel***
 - o Hotel Room as 2 Double beds
 - o Full Shower and Tub
 - o Separate Vanity
 - o Desk
 - o Television
 - o Coffee Maker

- **World War II Memorial Wreath Laying**
 - o Monday Morning
- **Memorial Day Parade**

Forms to Return Tonight:

- **District Permission Slip**
- **Agreement of Release**
- **Medical Form**

Trip T-Shirts:

- **Students** will wear Blue ID Shirt Down to Washington DC with jeans
- **Students** will wear Trip Shirt on Monday under uniform
- **Chaperones** will wear Trip Shirt on the way down to Washington DC
- **Chaperones** will wear Blue ID shirt on Monday for Parade

Uniforms:

- Students will be in **FULL UNIFORM** for Parade
- Trip T-shirt underneath uniform

Medicine:

- Medicine should be in original container not a baggy
- 3 page Medical forms must be submitted
- Forms due May 1st
- Indicate distribution and dosage information on Label
- Drop off medication on Uniform Drop off night May 23rd from 5-7

Trip Preparation-

- Label all personal items with your name
- Label the following with name and bus #
 - o Instrument
 - o Suitcase
 - o Carry-on
 - o Uniform Bag
 - Make sure all parts of uniform are packed together
- Keep emergency contact info at home

Food/Snacks:

- Food and snacks should be from District Approved List below

Allergies (please see below for allergy info from April parent meeting):

- Several of our students have **severe food allergies**. These allergies include **peanuts** and **tree** nuts (such as almonds, cashews, pecans, walnuts, macadamia nuts, etc.) including their oils, products and anything manufactured in a facility that processes these nuts as well as **eggs, honey, fish** and other **seafood**. Not only are these students unable to consume these foods, but also simple exposure to these foods poses a danger to the student. **Strict avoidance is our policy to prevent any allergic reactions, as these allergies can be life threatening.**
- For this reason I am asking that you help in assuring every child's safety on this trip. We must all be extremely cautious with the snacks and treats we take with us on our trips. We all play a role in decreasing the risk to these students. With your help we can keep our buses safe for everyone. Attached is a list of snacks that are a safe choice for all of our students. Please refrain from sending snacks that are not on the list. Even though there are a lot of foods these students must avoid, there are many safe, healthy choices. **Please adhere to this list when bringing food on any trip.**
- **Thank you in advance for your attention and cooperation in this most serious matter.**

- **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- **No Homemade or store bought bakery items or packaged baked goods**
- **No Dunkin' Donuts or Munchkins**
- **No Granola bars, egg products, or honey**
- **No coconut or coconut oil products**
- **No packaged ice cream treats**

- **Permissible snacks:**

- **Nabisco Brand**
 - Teddy Grahams (chocolate only)
 - Wheat thins
 - Triscuits
 - Saltines
 - Oreos (Original or Double Stuffed)
- **Tostitos**
 - Bite-Size (Plain)
 - Scoops
 - Restaurant Style
 - 100% corn
 - Gold
- **Candy**
 - Tootsie Rolls and Pops
 - Twizzlers

- Mike' n 'Ikes
- Smarties
- Dum-Dums
- Peeps
- Blow-Pops
- **Rold Gold Pretzels:**
 - Tiny Twist – Classic Style
 - Rods – Classic Style
- **Pepperidge Farm**
 - Thins – Classic Style
 - Sticks – Classic Style
 - Goldfish (Original)
- **Frito Lay:**
 - Lay's Classic
 - Wavy Lay's Original
 - Ruffles Original
 - Doritos
 - Fritos
 - Cheetos
- **Jello**
 - Fruit Flavors – Any
- **Rice-Krispy Treats**
 - Original Only

Uniform Drop Off

- Thursday, May 23rd between 5pm & 7pm
- Full Uniform including Hat Box
- If uniform not complete student will be sent home to get missing pieces

Instrument and Music Drop off:

- Thursday, May 23rd between 5pm & 7pm or before school on May 23rd
- Bring Instrument to school if at home
- Label cases (personal or school) with name and bus #

What to Pack in your Suitcase:

- Suitcase must be labeled with your name and bus number
- Parade Shirt for Monday
- Recommended to wear shorts for parade
- Toothpaste, toothbrush, comb/brush and other toiletries
- Pajamas

- Other clothes

Carry on:

- Must be labeled with name and bus number
- Wear Jeans and Polo Shirt
- Comfortable shoes and Socks
- Jacket, Sweatshirt and Socks
 - o Layering is suggested due to weather
- Snacks
- Money for lunch (on your own)
- Snacks and beverages for the ride
 - o No soda, no glass, no energy drinks
- Books, Games, Etc

Things needed for Sunday:

- Jeans
- Blue ID Shirt
- Sneakers
- Carry-on packed with money, snacks, Etc
 - o If it's not on your carry-on you will not be able to get it until we return home

Helpful Info:

- We will be on the bus for a long time, so bring things to keep you busy and snacks so you don't get hungry.
- Bring water to drink so you stay hydrated
- **REMEMBER ENERGY DRINKS ARE NOT PERMITTED**
- **YOU ARE TO WEAR SNEAKERS FOR THE ENTIRE TRIP.**
 - o **NO FLIP FLOPS, BOOTS OR SANDALS**
- Once luggage is put under the bus it cannot be retrieved. Make sure your money, camera, sweatshirt/jacket and anything else you need is stashed in your carry-on Sunday Morning.
- You may bring cell phones, cameras, iPods, video games etc, you are responsible for those items.
 - o Video games-rated E, E-10 or E+10
 - o Movies rated G or PG only
 - o Bring charger and portable chargers
- **Each student may bring one small suitcase and one carry-on bag**

Meals

- **Sunday**
 - o **Lunch - Buffet lunch on river cruise**

- *Dinner- Hard Rock Café*
- *Monday*
 - *Breakfast – is Provided*
 - *Lunch – Box lunches you ordered*
 - *Dinner – we will stop at Golden Corral on the way home*

Check Weather for trip

- www.weather.com
- *Washington, D. C.*

Note: Parents, this is a school trip, not a family vacation. Families should not ask for special exceptions or releases for their students while on the trip.

•It is a big responsibility to keep track of the students. It becomes extremely difficult when they are being pulled in and out of scheduled activities.

Rules and Regulations

- All BASD rules apply as listed in the student handbook and exist throughout every moment of the trip.
 - Wear appropriate attire
 - No torn jeans.
 - No shirts with exposed mid-drift.
 - No shirts with inappropriate sayings, pictures, graphics or tobacco or liquor insignias.
 - No exposed underwear.
- All Medications must be given, by the parent, to the nurse, upon arrival to school on Thursday, May 23.
 - If your child take medicine for motion sickness, give it to your child before he or she leaves the house
 - Excessive noise will not be tolerated on the buses, at the hotel or the school. Each student must respect the rights of others. Violation of the noise rule will result in disciplinary action.
 - **Students may not leave the group without permission.**
 - If the bus captain or a chaperone believes a student is abusing the privilege of using electronic equipment, it will be confiscated and returned to the student or their parent when we return to Nitschmann on Monday night.
 - Students may bring cell phones. They are required to give their cell phone number to their chaperone. If the student refuses to provide their number, the cell phone will be confiscated and returned to the student or their parent when we return to Nitschmann on Monday night.
 - Smoking, drugs and alcohol are **prohibited**

- Laser pointers are **prohibited**.
- Pocketknives or any other kind of weapon are **prohibited** from the trip.
- The BASD code of conduct will be in effect at all times.
- Students may bring a personal DVD player; movies must be G or PG rated, no higher.
- Students may bring video game players; game ratings must be E, E-10 or E-10+, no higher.

Itinerary

- Sunday, May 26th
 - 5:30am Depart Bethlehem, PA via motor coach
 - 10:30am estimated arrival in Washington, D.C.
 - 10:45am Meet your Tour Managers, at the dock to board the spirit cruise
 - 11:30am Enjoy a two-hour lunch cruise on the historic Potomac River Visit the hallowed grounds of Arlington National Cemetery and witness the Changing of the Guard ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns
 - 5:00pm Dinner at Hard Rock Café
 - 8:00pm Attend the official “National Memorial Day Concert” on the West Lawn of the U.S. Capitol, featuring the National Symphony Orchestra and broadcast live on PBS
 - 10:30pm Check-in to hotel for overnight
- ***Lights out will be determined when we arrive at the hotel.***
- Monday, May 27th
 - 7:30am Breakfast at the hotel (served until 8:30am), followed by check-out
 - 9:00am Depart hotel for wreath-laying
 - 9:30am Visit World War II Memorial and lay your Nitschmann Middle School wreath at the base of the Pennsylvania state marker Pick-up boxed lunches at the parade staging area Arrive at your assigned parade staging area on the National Mall
 - 2:00pm Participate in the National Memorial Day Parade on Historic Constitution Avenue
 - 5:00 pm Estimated departure for return home Dinner stop on the way home
 - 11:00 pm Estimated arrival in Bethlehem, PA
 - Students are expected to be in school on Tuesday at the start of school.

Important Information:

Emergency contact:

- Mr. Zettlemyer610-248-0941
- Karen McLaughlin610-428-117