

Dear Parents,

Next spring we would like to take the Band to Disney in Orlando, Florida to participate in a workshop called “You’re Instrumental” and to perform in a parade down Main Street U.S.A. This would occur the week of April 4<sup>th</sup>. We’re actually looking at both a 5-day and 6 - day trip options (April 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>.) Students would miss classes either Tuesday – Friday or Wednesday through Friday that week and return Sunday evening.

The workshop consists of our students working with a professional conductor in a film score recording studio where they will learn firsthand about what goes into recording a film score to a motion picture. They will rehearse with the conductor and actually record a soundtrack for a short animated Disney feature, which we will be able to bring home with us.

Also, our very own “Dragon Marching Band” will have an opportunity to perform in front of more 30,000 people as they march in a parade down Main Street USA. What a wonderful experience it will be for our students.

We are being assisted by the folks at Educational Tours who are handling all the trip arrangements such as transportation, hotel accommodations, performance details etc. They also provide onsite security at the hotel. We anticipate having at least ten adult chaperones ride down with us as well as several others that plan to drive down separately.

The anticipated cost for each traveler is approximately \$700.00. This of course is subject to change and is based on the number of travelers we have to fill up 110 bus seats. We plan to travel by two 55 passenger motor coaches. We anticipate the trip to be based on 95 student travelers and 15 adults. If we have more interested in the trip, we may need a third motor coach which, will change the cost per traveler. On the reverse side of this letter is a survey to determine the interest level of both students and parents; the support level from parents and finally the financial feasibility of this trip. Please fill this out and return it by Friday March 12<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for your consideration and support on this matter.

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## Disney Trip Interest Survey

Student's name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**(Parents please check one of the below statements that best fits your position)**

\_\_\_\_\_ I support the proposed Band trip to Walt Disney World Florida in April 2011.

\_\_\_\_\_ I do not support the proposed Band trip to Walt Disney World Florida in April 2011.

**(Optional) Please feel free to explain your position**

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**Parents interested in Chaperoning please check one of the two statements below that best fits your interest level. (Please note that all Chaperones must stay in the same Hotel as the Band.)**

\_\_\_\_\_ I would be interested in riding the bus and attending the trip as a Chaperone.

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

\_\_\_\_\_ I would be interested in attending the trip as a Chaperone but will provide my own transportation.

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

\_\_\_\_\_ My family is interested in traveling with the Band but providing our own transportation and hotel accommodations. **(Please note that Band members MUST ride the bus with the rest of the Band.)**

**Please return by Friday March 12<sup>th</sup> 2010.**