

Penncrest High School Band

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PENNCREST BAND TRIP: WASHINGTON DC MARCH 10-12, 2023

Trip Highlights:

- Two nights first class housing at the Renaissance Arlington Hotel
- Two breakfast buffets, two lunches, and two dinners included
- Motor coach transportation
- Onstage Clinics at the Kennedy Center with composer Brian Balmages
- Performance in the *We Have A Dream* concert series at the MLK or Lincoln Memorial
- Tour and performance in the Sousa Band Festival at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
- Evening, guided, illuminated tours of 14 monuments
- Panoramic motor coach tour of historic Washington DC including photo opp at the White House
- National Archives visit to see the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution
- Historic Congressional Cemetery visit and wreath laying ceremony at the tomb of John Philip Sousa
- Lunch cruise on the Potomac River
- Souvenir t-shirt and access to performance recordings for every participant
- All taxes and gratuities included
- Security guard on duty each evening at the hotel

To qualify, all participants must return the completed application form along with a **\$300 nonrefundable deposit per trip member by November 10**. This deposit is non-refundable as it is required to reserve buses, hotel rooms, and other necessary reservations. The final price of the trip will be determined by fundraising, but will not exceed \$1200.

Eligibility

Mr. Snyder and the administration of Penncrest High School have the right to deny trip eligibility to any student who proves themselves unfit to represent our music department and our school, through their musicianship or conduct, beginning with the submission of this application up to and including the dates of the trip. Eligibility is also dependent on participation in mandatory activities, such as the trip meeting, any extra practices, and a signed Consent Form. Participation in the trip is a privilege, and has no bearing on a student's grade.

Paperwork

The application is attached. Please make sure you do the following:

- Print student name and check the "will" or "will not" participation box.
- Parents, we must have your signature for your child to be eligible.
- If you are interested in chaperoning, check the box and describe your training or qualifications, if any. We can take a limited number of chaperones.
- Enclose a check (or pay online) for \$300 per participant made out to "Penncrest Band." You may also pay off more, or all, of your balance if you choose at this time.

Trip Meeting

A mandatory meeting for trip participants (parents are encouraged to attend) will be held on March 2 at 7PM in the Penncrest auditorium. Attendance is necessary for trip participation. We will review safety and itinerary information as well as what to pack and expected conduct.

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RETURN TO BAND ROOM NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 10.

Student Name: _____ [] will [] will not participate in the trip. Deposit is included and made out to Penncrest Band, or submitted online.

Parent Name: _____ Signature _____
Signature represents your permission for your child to participate in the trip.

Parent Email: _____
Your balance statements will be emailed to this address.

[] I am interested in chaperoning (include additional \$300.00 deposit)

Name of parent who is interested: _____

Email Address: _____
*Chaperones will be chosen based on seniority, qualification, and order of application.
Chaperones will need to present all relevant clearances needed to work with minors.*

[] I have medical or other training that may be beneficial to the trip (please describe):

Due Date	Payment Information	Deposit Amount
11/10	Initial, nonrefundable trip deposit	\$300.00
12/08	Second deposit	\$400.00
2/08	Final Deposit (may change due to fundraising)	\$500.00*

* fundraising will reduce the final payment, if possible

Please make checks payable to "Penncrest Band"

RETURN IN AN ENVELOPE AND PLACE IN THE BAND ROOM DEPOSIT BOX.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Purchase of travel insurance is not mandatory and is an individual choice. Music Celebrations provides the opportunity to purchase different levels of insurance, which you can access in the Band Trip folder in Schoology. Alternatively, you can purchase insurance through private means.

COVID AND HEALTH/SAFETY PROTOCOLS

The Penncrest Band will follow our district guidelines as well as the local guidelines of the trip location when it comes to health and safety. Accepting these protocols will be a condition of trip participation.