

## BFHS Music Department trip to New York

Attached to this is the tentative trip itinerary. Please review this and discuss it with your family. Keep in mind that the activities on the itinerary are all flexible with the exception of the festival performances. These are things we can discuss and change as we go ahead with the trip. In addition to the activities listed on the itinerary we will be planning additional "excursions" during the trip that students can choose to participate in. For example - Central Park, The Statue of Liberty, the Empire State Building, a sporting event, or additional Broadway shows.

The price on the itinerary does not include airfare. This is a price we cannot know exactly until the time gets closer. Our tour coordinator indicated that the final cost of the trip after airfare will be right around \$2,000 per person.

Over the years I have had the opportunity to take a few ensembles to New York City. In all these trips, only once did one of the ensemble members not participate. This was made possible by everyone working together. It is often the case that some families have access to more tax credit donations than others because they have more friends or family connections in the state. If everyone will do their best to get as many tax credit donations as possible we can take care of our own students and then in turn help those who have less access. It is my goal that every member of Chamber Orchestra be able to attend this year's trip. We can make that happen through collecting tax credit donations and participation in fundraising opportunities.

You can now register for this trip by completing the attached forms. Return the forms to Mr. Nichols and pay the initial trip deposit to Mrs. Solomon in the office. Our deposit deadline is Nov. 17, 2017. If you have any questions please feel free email me.

All the best!!

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