

NEW ORLEANS

trip UPDATE

Cox Mill High School Bands

August 17, 2024



**New Orleans
Heritage Festival
Trip Meeting**

Cox Mill High School



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Hilton Riverside New Orleans Two Poydras Street, New Orleans

April 9 – 13, 2025



Trip Highlights

- Performance in a national festival competition
- Feedback from a panel of three top-notch adjudicators
- On-stage clinic following our performance
- Exclusive Masquerade Ball Awards Ceremony, Dinner, & Dance



*Award Ceremony Attire: Your choice as long as it is dressy
Concert Attire, Sunday Dress or Formal Attire
Mask optional*



Trip Highlights

- Participate in clinic with LSU Instrumental music faculty & prolific composer, Julie Giroux
- Color Guard clinic with Tiger Band Color Guard staff



Trip Highlights



NEW ORLEANS
JAZZ
MUSEUM



TRIP FEE

4 person room (quad)	\$964	RECOMMENDED
3 person room (triple)	\$1,073	
2 person room (double)	\$1,096	
1 person room (single)	\$1,957	



- Amount above is based on 90 participants
- Total cost per person may/can vary based on number of participants and any revisions to transportation (ie. Number of buses needed) and room changes
 - Ex. (1) 104 participants can change the quad rate to approx. \$928 per person; (2) 114 participants can change the quad rate to approx. \$1,002 per person; (3) 130 participants can change the quad rate to approx. \$985 per person – all due to the transportation cost, etc

INTEREST FORM & DEPOSIT

Sign up via Google Interest Form & Pay Non-Refundable Deposit
BY SEPTEMBER 1st



\$200 per person
Student & Chaperones
NON-REFUNDABLE



Payment to be made via Square on webpage, Check or Cash (in marked envelope with participant's name and what the money is for ("Spring Trip", "New Orleans" ...))

PAYMENT SCHEDULE



Initial Deposit - Due SEPTEMBER 1st	\$200
2nd Payment - Due October 1st	\$150
3rd Payment - Due November 1st	\$150
4th Payment - Due January 15, 2025	\$150
5th Payment - Due February 14, 2025	\$150
Remain Balance Due – March 15, 2025	\$????*



***remaining balance will depend on type of room selected**

example: Quad room at \$964 (based on 90 participants) would have ending balance due of about \$164; same scenario with triple room is balance of about \$273; Double Room \$296 and Single Room \$1,157.

All participants will be advised prior to final balance due deadline of any adjustments in price/remaining balance due
You are welcome to pay more than the minimum payments at any time

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

6:15 am – Arrive at school, bring luggage to the band room, begin loading.

7:15 am - Depart for New Orleans, meals en route

10:00 pm - Arrive in New Orleans

11:00 pm - Room check – anyone out of place between the room check and the next morning will be sent home at their parents' expense per school rules.

Hotel Information:

HILTON NEW ORLEANS RIVERSIDE 2 POYDRAS STREET
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, 70130 TEL: +1-504-561-0500

Thursday, April 10, 2025

7:00 am - Wake-up! Breakfast on own, but not allowed to leave hotel without chaperone/chaperone group. Hotel has very strict rules on outside food/beverages in the lobby and other common areas

8:15 am – Load buses

8:30 am – Depart for Swamp Tour

9:45 am – Swamp Boat tour

11:45 am – Load buses and return to New Orleans

1:00 pm – Enjoy lunch & free time in French Quarter – in chaperone groups (boundaries will be set)

3:00 pm - Tour Preservation Hall 726 St Peter in French Quarter

5:30 pm – Dinner -- TBD

8:00 pm - Return to Hotel

8:30 pm - Pool and relaxation time @ hotel

10:00 pm - Room check – anyone out of place between the room check and the next morning will be sent home at their parents' expense per school rules.

Friday, April 11, 2025

6:30 am - Wake-up!

7:00 am – Walk to French Quarter to enjoy free time in chaperone groups – Don't miss the French Market and Café Du monde

9:00 am –New Orleans Jazz Museum, 400 Esplanade Ave

10:30 am – Doreen's Jazz – 701 Royal Street

12:15 pm – Load bus (in French Quarter – location TBD) (all to grab a lunch to go at own expense to eat on bus)

12:30 - Depart for LSU

2:30 PM Arrive at LSU in Baton Rouge, LA. Participate in a clinic with world-renowned LSU instrumental music faculty (clinic 3 – 6 pm)

6:20 pm – Dinner at LSU (food court)

8:15 pm - Depart for Hotel in New Orleans

10:15 pm – Arrive at hotel

11:00 pm - Room check

TENTATIVE ITINERARY (revised 8/10/24)



Saturday, April 12, 2025

6:00 am - Wake-up!

7:00 am – Load bus & Depart for Festival Performance

Performances (Actual Performance time TBD, below times estimated)

Competition Performance: Landry-Walker High School 1200 LB Landry Ave, New Orleans, LA 70114

7:25 am - Warm-up - Concert Band

8:00 am - Concert Band Performance/Clinic

9:10 am - Wind Ensemble warm-up

9:45 am - Wind Ensemble Performance/Clinic

10:30 am - Return to Hotel, change.

11:00 am - Lunch/free time in the French Quarter in chaperone groups

1:00 pm - National D-Day Museum 945 Magazine St., New Orleans, LA 70310

5:00 pm – Return to hotel to rest, change for awards dinner/ceremony(everyone)

6:30 pm – Load buses for award ceremony

6:45 pm – Depart for award ceremony

7:00 pm to 10:00 pm – Mardi Gras World Awards Ceremony and Dinner – Masquerade Ball –

10:00 pm – Load buses and Depart for the hotel

11:00 pm – Room check – anyone out of place between the room check and the next morning will be sent home at their parents' expense per school rules.

Sunday, April 13, 2023

- Breakfast is NOT included or provided, bring your own.

6:00 am – Wake-up!

7:00 am - Load bus, check out (chaperones will check every room before departure) & travel home

9 pm – Arrive at CMHS, unload all equipment, clean the buses, GO HOME!

Items NOT covered by Trip Fees:

- Meals enroute to & from New Orleans
- All Meals on Thursday & Friday
- Breakfast & Lunch on Saturday
- Souvenirs, personal incidentals, etc



Trip Identification:

- Purple SOCM Shirt
- Marching Band Show Shirt
- Trip T-shirt (to be designed)

*shirts will be provided to students

Parents will be provided the opportunity to purchase t-shirts to match the day or wear your own attire in a similar color of the day





ELIGIBILITY TO GO ON TRIP:

- Participate in Marching Band AND one semester of Concert Band
OR
- Participate in Two (2) semesters of Concert Band
OR
- Member of Color Guard



CANCELLATION POLICY:

NO REFUNDS of Deposits. WHY???????

- Cancellations cause the rate of others to increase
- Overall Cost to Everyone needs to be known
- Ensemble considerations for Festival must be decided by this Fall
- The band program is required to make payments to the trip company and bus company at certain points leading up to the trip
 - No refunds after November 5th

Other Items of Interest:

- Alcohol will not to be consumed by ANYONE (that includes Chaperones)
- If you leave the band group to visit family/friends in the area, you cannot rejoin the band group (to include the return trip home) – **YOU MUST REMAIN WITH THE BAND GROUP (students & chaperones) at all times!!**



QUESTIONS????????



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