

# Tabb High School Bands

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To Tabb High School Band students and families,

The purpose of this document is to provide you with preliminary information regarding the Tabb High School Band's spring trip to Disney World in Florida! The trip dates are Sunday, May 28, 2023 to Friday, June 2, 2023. Our trip is going to be both an educational experience for the students, as well as a time of rest, relaxation, and fun after all of the hard work the band members have put in this year. The trip is open to all members of the THS Band Program and the ensembles that comprise it, including our color guard members. Please look over all of the information below, and let me know if you have any questions.

## Trip Inclusions

5 Night/6 Day accommodations at the All-Star Music or Movies Resort  
Roundtrip Airfare (*cost not currently included in trip price; scheduling and pricing available late October*)  
Roundtrip Private Bus Transfer between Airport and Hotel  
Private Bus Transfer on Performance Day  
4 Day Disney World Non-Hopper Tickets

## Approximate Trip Cost

\$720 per student (airfare not included)  
\$975 per chaperone (airfare not included)

## Payment Schedule

Trip payments will be handled via Rycor. Payments may be made by cash or check and should be hand delivered to the Tabb High School main office. Please write a phone number on the check if it is not already included, as well as your student's name and ID number in the memo line. Please have cash in an envelope with your student's name and ID number written on it. **NOTE: all questions regarding use of the Rycor payment system and/or refunds (if needed) will be handled by the Tabb High School main office.**

**Payment #1/Deposit of \$300.00 due by Sunday, September 25, 2022**

**Payment #2 of \$300.00 due by Tuesday, October 25, 2022**

**Payment #3 of \$300.00 due by Friday, November 25, 2022**

**Payment #4 of remaining balance due by Tuesday, February 13, 2023**

*\* This final installment will reflect the final cost based on airfare and total student participation*

Any variations from this payment plan must be discussed with Mr. Lawson

## **Student Participation**

In order for a band member to participate in this trip, the following conditions must be met:

1. Student must be cleared of any current financial obligations owed to the Tabb High School Band Program (i.e.: band registration fee, shoes/gloves, etc.).
2. Student must be enrolled in a band class (excluding color guard members).
3. Student must maintain an overall grade of “A” or “B” in their respective band class(es).
4. Student must not have an “unexcused” absence from a performance.
5. Student must follow all rules and regulations as specified by the YCSD Student Handbook, THS Band Handbook, and those outlined prior to the trip by Mr. Lawson.
6. Student must follow the payment schedule or coordinate alternate payment methods/plans with Mr. Lawson.

## **Chaperones**

Our trip to Disney World will require adult assistance! If adult family members are interested in helping chaperone, please indicate your interest on the Spring Trip Commitment Form. The number of adults needed will depend on the number of students who sign up for the trip. Additionally, please note the following:

1. Number of chaperones will be based on an approximate ratio of one adult per eight students. Each chaperone will be responsible for rooms in which their students are residing during our trip.
2. One chaperone will be designated as the “head chaperone” and work directly with Mr. Lawson in helping to plan for the supervision of our students throughout the trip.
3. The final selection of adults to serve as chaperones will be made by Mr. Lawson. There will most likely be a significant number of individuals interested in these positions, but, unfortunately, not all will be selected. Thank you in advance for your understanding.
4. Chaperone cost is \$975 (airfare not included).

## **Final Thoughts**

This spring trip is intended to be both an educational experience for the students and an absolute blast! Trips such as this are immensely rewarding (both musically and as a band family) and result in lasting memories for the students. Please keep in mind, though, that while I truly hope every student is able to go on the spring trip, attendance is completely optional.

Furthermore, I understand that the cost of the trip may not fit into every family’s budget. If you are interested in having your student attend the trip but are in need of financial assistance, there may be some avenues of support we can look into. No guarantees can be made at this time, but please reach out if you would like more information or to discuss potential options. Everything will be kept in the strictest of confidence.

Additional information (such as a detailed trip itinerary, performance details, suggested budget for food and/or “meal ticket” info, and additional safety/behavior expectations) will be shared as it becomes available and we near the trip itself. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me via either email or phone.

Sincerely,  
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