

LOVEJOY HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

Washington D.C. Trip Information

Lovejoy Orchestra Parents,

We are so delighted for the opportunity to take our Lovejoy High School Orchestra students on tour to Washington D.C. on April 20-23, 2017. As a high school student I took a trip very similar to this one, and it opened my eyes to a much broader world of performance and culture. We hope our students can similarly enjoy an unforgettable experience.

Performance Opportunity

Usually trips to music festival are based on a competition format much like the UIL Concert contest. This performance opportunity for this trip is based on a completely different set of ideas. Traditionally orchestras perform in orchestral halls and received ratings from judges that result in some sort of trophy. Instead of that music festival model, the orchestra will have the opportunity to perform at a national monument. We believe this performance is a once in a lifetime opportunity.

Other Activities

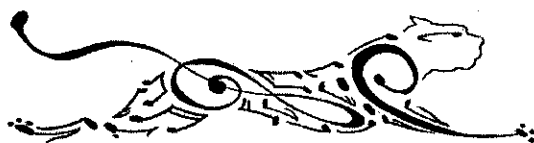
There are also a number of other activities in which students will participate while in Washington D.C. including: The Arlington National Cemetery, The Smithsonian, Union Station, The National Mall, Mount Vernon Estate and the Newseum.

We have included the following forms with this letter for your information: trip itinerary, trip rules and regulations, and a medical release required by the tour company. Also attached to this letter is a letter of commitment which includes more details including pricing. This letter must be signed and returned with the first payment.

We highly recommend this experience for your student. The whole event from the orchestral performance, to the camaraderie, to the cultural and historical outings can have a very positive impact on students and parents alike.

Thank you,

Joey Sloan and Mary Winkler
Orchestra Directors
Lovejoy High School



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2017 Washington DC Commitment Letter

*Please return the attached commitment form with your payment for the 2017 Orchestra trip to Washington D.C.
Please consider the following items before committing to this trip.*

Dates:

Departing at 5:30 am on Thursday, April 20, 2017

Returning at 10:30 pm on Sunday, April 23, 2017

Trip cost:

Total: \$1100.00 which includes the following:

- 3 Nights at Deluxe Accommodations In Washington
- 3 Days Breakfast at Hotel
- Air Transportation DFW-WAS
- Deluxe Coach Transportation [based on minimum of 81 to 112 passengers]
- Arlington National Cemetery Tour
- Footsteps to the Past Ghost Tour of Old Alexandria
- Illuminated Night Tour of Washington With Step-On Guides [Based on minimum of 81 persons]
- PhotoVision Souvenir DVD
- Small group sightseeing at the Smithsonian Institute
- Mount Vernon Estate and Gardens Admission
- Theismann's Restaurant Meal
- Buca di Beppo: Washington DC
- Hard Rock Cafe Meal
- National Park Service Performance
- 1 Professional Tour Director [Based on minimum of 81 persons]
- Taxes and Gratuities
- Newseum Admission
- Union Station: Lunch/Dinner Meal Voucher
- Newseum Counter Service Meal Voucher
- Instrument, Stand and Chair Rental [Based on minimum of 81 persons]

Payment Due Dates:

All must be paid by check or cash. This schedule is based on \$1100 per student.

Amounts can vary pending number of students participating.

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| • \$350 (including \$100 Airline Deposit) | 25% | 1 st Deposit Due: | November 15, 2016 |
| • \$250 | 25% | 2 nd Deposit Due: | January 5, 2017 |
| • \$250 | 25% | 3 rd Deposit Due: | February 9, 2017 |
| • \$250 | 25% | Final Payment Due: | March 9, 2017 |

Rules:

All Lovejoy High School student conduct rules and regulations apply. Failure to cooperate will result in not being able to go on the trip, or being sent home at the expense of the parent. Please note: Administration reserves the right to remove the opportunity to travel with the Orchestra due to low grades or suspensions.

Chaperones:

Parents are encouraged to attend as Chaperones. You will need to turn in a commitment form, and your payments would follow the same student schedule. Chaperone cost (\$1100) is slightly more than that of the students, but does cover a double-occupancy room rather than a quad-occupancy room

Statement of Commitment
2017 Washington DC Lovejoy High School Orchestra trip

I, _____, parent/guardian of _____ understand the time commitment and financial obligations that are involved in my son or daughter participating in the 2017 Washington DC Orchestra Trip and agree to the items outlined above.

Parent/guardian Signature _____ *Date* _____

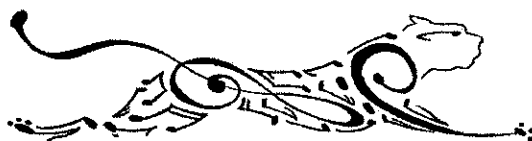
I, _____, Orchestra member, understand the rules, as well as the time commitment and financial obligations that are involved in participating in the 2017 Washington DC Orchestra Trip and agree to uphold them as I represent the Lovejoy High School Orchestra program.

Student Signature _____ *Date* _____

If you are planning on chaperoning this trip, please indicate below. The payment schedule is the same as the student schedule. Chaperones will be required to supervise a small group of students while upholding to the tenants of the Chaperone Code of Conduct.

Chaperone Name (please print) _____

Chaperone Signature _____ *Date* _____



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Trip Rules and Regulations

DRESS CODE

Students are expected to be neat and clean at all times. The LHS Dress Code applies at all times during the trip. Students will be expected to use good judgment in dress and appearance at all times.

LUGGAGE AND ITEMS NEEDED

1. Once small suitcase or bag and one carry-on bag is permitted. Each bag/suitcase must have an identification tag on the outside
2. Each student will need money for meals (lunch) while traveling, snacks and souvenir items.
3. Each student is responsible for his/her instrument and equipment as assigned.

TRIP RULES

1. All LHS rules plus policies contained in the LHS Orchestra Handbooks are in effect at all times during the trip.
2. All Lovejoy ISD School Rules apply during the trip.
3. No Alcoholic beverages of any kind are permitted at any time – regardless of the student's age.
4. No drugs are permitted unless prescribed by a doctor and noted on the students medical release form.
5. All medications (prescription and non-prescription) being taken MUST be indicated on the medical release form.
6. Absolutely no cross visiting of boys or girls in rooms at any time without a chaperone present.
7. Loud noise, playing of instruments, radios etc. are not permitted in the hotel or on the bus.
8. Curfews will be reasonable and strictly enforced at all times. Students may not leave their rooms from curfew until morning. Bed checks will be made by the assigned chaperone.
9. Students are responsible for their own identification, money, and valuables. It is recommended that students not wear jewelry in public.
10. Chaperones are in complete charge of the students at all times and have the authority to correct students and question behavior at any time. Students are expected to be polite and use good judgment in behavior.
11. Students must let their chaperone know their whereabouts if they must leave the main group. Students are expected to always stay in their groups and never to go anywhere alone.
12. Students may not leave the designated areas at any time.
13. Students are expected to be on time and to participate in all planned activities.
14. Students may not enter or ride in any motorized vehicle except those provided by the tour agency or public transportation being used by the group.
15. Any listening devices used on the trip must be used with headphones set at a reasonable sound level so as not to disturb others.
16. Smoking will not be permitted at any time.
17. It is recommended that a picture ID should be on your person at all times.

INFRACTIONS OF THE RULES WILL RESULT IN THE FOLLOWING

1. Immediate termination of trip participation and/or the student's confinement to his or her room.
2. Immediate notification of the student's parents.
3. The student will be subject to the Lovejoy High School disciplinary action at school
4. Mr. Sloan reserves the right to send any student home for any infraction of the rules at the parents' expense.

STUDENT AND PARENT AGREEMENT

I have read and understand the policies, procedures and trip rules and I agree to follow them.

Student Signature

Date

Parent signature

Date

Lovejoy High School Orchestra Washington Trip

Itinerary with Notes

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Thursday, April 20, 2017

5:30 AM Arrive at Dallas Love Field Airport (DAL)

Meet your Director's Choice Tour Director, who will assist with the check in process and remain with your group throughout your trip. Breakfast on your own after clearing security.

7:50 AM passengers depart Dallas Love Field Airport (DAL) on Southwest Airlines flight 529

11:30 AM Arrive at Washington National Airport (DCA)

12:15 PM Depart via motorcoach for National Mall

1:00 PM Small group sightseeing, shopping, and lunch on your own on the National Mall - \$15 provided

3:15 PM Depart via motorcoach for Arlington National Cemetery

3:45 PM Arrive at Arlington National Cemetery Visitor Center

1 Memorial Drive
Arlington, VA 22211

4:00 PM Arlington National Cemetery Tour

Maps available at Welcome Center.

6:15 PM Depart via motorcoach for Buca di Beppo

6:45 PM Arrive at Buca di Beppo

1825 Connecticut Ave NW
Washington DC 20009

7:00 PM Dinner at Buca di Beppo

Family style menu includes Mixed Green Salad, Caesar Salad, Bread, Spaghetti with Marinara, Fettuccine Alfredo, and Chicken Parmigiana with Buca Cookie for dessert and unlimited Soft Drinks, Coffee and Tea.

8:30 PM Depart via motorcoach for hotel

9:15 PM Arrive and check-in at hotel

Room keys will not be available before this time.

10:00 PM Room check and lights out

Friday, April 21, 2017

8:00 AM Breakfast at hotel

9:00 AM Depart via motorcoach for Memorial Performance

10:00 AM National Park Service Performance

Most band performances take place on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool Steps, the plaza of the Jefferson Memorial, the FDR Memorial Ceremonial Entrance Area, the D.C. War Memorial or the Ceremonial Entrance Plaza of the World War II Memorial. *One hour time slot includes set-up and performance. *No chairs or stands provided. *All equipment MUST have rubber tips to protect granite. *All equipment MUST BE HAND CARRIED from the curb. *Groups must perform with their back to the monument so sound is projected away from the monument or memorial. *There is no public parking for motorcoaches.

10:30 AM Depart via motorcoach for Hard Rock Cafe

11:00 AM Arrive at Hard Rock Cafe

610 10th St. NW #200, Washington DC 20001

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Friday, April 21, 2017 (cont'd)

11:15 AM Lunch at Hard Rock Cafe

Menu includes choice of Hamburger or Cheeseburger with French Fries; Bar-B-Que Pulled Pork Sandwich with French Fries; Honey Mustard Grilled Chicken Sandwich with French Fries; Cheesy Mac & Cheese with Garlic Toast; or Classic Caesar Salad. All served with Dessert and Drink.

12:45 PM Depart via motorcoach for Mount Vernon Estate and Gardens

1:30 PM Arrive at Mount Vernon Estate and Gardens

3200 Mt Vernon Memorial Hwy
Mt Vernon, VA 22121

1:45 PM Mount Vernon Estate and Gardens

4:30 PM Depart via motorcoach for Union Station

5:00 PM Dinner at Union Station

Voucher good for a meal and a drink from fast-food type vendors.

6:45 PM Meet guides for Night Tour of Washington at Union Station motorcoach parking

7:00 PM Night Tour of Washington

10:00 PM Depart via motorcoach for hotel

11:00 PM Room check and lights out

Saturday, April 22, 2017

8:00 AM Breakfast at hotel

9:00 AM Depart via motorcoach for The National Mall

9:45 AM Small group sightseeing, shopping, and lunch on your own - \$15 provided

4:45 PM Depart via motorcoach for Joe Theismann's Restaurant

5:15 PM Arrive at Theismann's Restaurant

1800 Diagonal Rd
Alexandria, VA 22314

5:30 PM Dinner at Theismann's Restaurant

Menu includes choice of Grilled Barbecued Pork Chop, Eggplant Parmesan, Chicken Fettuccine Alfredo, Hamburger, Chicken Breast Sandwich, Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad with Chocolate Brownie and Beverage.

7:00 PM Depart via motorcoach for Market Square

7:15 PM Meet guides at Market Square at King and N. Fairfax

7:30 PM Ghost Tour of Old Alexandria

8:30 PM Depart via motorcoach for hotel

10:00 PM Room check and lights out

Sunday, April 23, 2017

8:00 AM Breakfast at hotel

9:00 AM Check out of hotel, load and depart via motorcoach for Newseum

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Sunday, April 23, 2017 (cont'd)

9:45 AM Arrive at Newseum

555 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, DC 20001

10:00 AM Newseum

The group entrance is located on C Street, at the back of the building. Groups will be greeted on the bus by a Newseum representative who will check-in the group, locate tickets and welcome your group to the Newseum.

12:00 PM Lunch at Newseum

Meal voucher

1:00 PM Small group sightseeing on National Mall

3:15 PM Depart via motorcoach for Washington National Airport (DCA)

4:00 PM Arrive at Washington National Airport (DCA)

Early dinner on your own after clearing security.

6:45 PM passengers depart Washington National Airport (DCA) on Southwest Airlines flight 5981

10:50 PM Arrive at Dallas Love Field Airport (DAL)

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Participant Health Form/Medical Release

This form should be completed in full. It should enable the participant to receive treatment if taken to the hospital by school personnel or a sponsor. One form should be completed for each participant. PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS!


I, the undersigned, do hereby authorize officials and sponsors of the Lovejoy High School Orchestra to contact directly the person named on this document, and do authorize the named physicians to render such treatment as may be deemed necessary in an emergency, for the health of said person. In the event physicians, other persons named on this form, or parents cannot be contacted, the school officials are hereby authorized to take whatever action is deemed necessary in their judgment, for the health of aforesaid person. I will not hold the school financially responsible for emergency care and/or transportation of said person.

Full Name of participant	
Home Address	Area Code and Phone Number
City, State, Zip Code	
Date of Birth	

Name of Parent, Guardian, or other contact who can be reached if necessary:	Phone Number
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Special needs requiring consideration:

Known medical problems:
Allergies:
Prescription and over-the-counter medicines used:
Participant's private physician and physician's phone number:
Insurance information:
Party responsible for payment:
Dietary Requests:

sign here 	Participant or Parent/Guardian, if participant is under the age of 18	Date
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