

JAGUAR PRIDE

Attention members and parents,

As announced last spring, this is a travel year for the band and orchestra. Traveling provides a wonderful opportunity for the members to perform at a national level outside of the Midwest.

We are honored to once again announce we have accepted the invitation to perform at Disney's Magic Kingdom in Orlando Florida. The trip will take place April 18, 2012-April 23, 2012. We have been working with a travel agency and have had a goal from the beginning to keep the cost under \$1,000 per member. Within this amount, we have budgeted in almost every meal, all lodging, all transportation and even arranged tickets for the members to attend the *La Nouba* Cirque du Soleil Show in Disney World.

This performance and trip is an extension to the performances we already have throughout the year and will include all members of the Jaguar Pride. However, we realize this might create a financial strain on several of the families. This trip is not required. We would love for everyone to go but we do understand if you are not able to attend. We have already begun fundraising and have set up at least one fundraiser each month between now and February. The attached letter will explain more about the financial responsibilities for the trip.

There is also an opportunity for family members to travel as followers. This means you will ride on a separate bus, shadow the band at all activities but still have the freedom to be on your own in the parks. The cost per follower is in the attached document. We have had families in the past who have chosen to take advantage of the follower package and had a great time. You will be able to go, relax let someone else schedule your day and most importantly watch your son or daughter perform in Magic Kingdom.

We apologize for the delay of this document. The delay has been caused because we have been trying to compare the cost of charter busses to Florida or flying. After a summer of research we have learned that the cost to fly will be a minimum additional charge of \$400 per traveler. Our goal has always been to keep the cost under \$1000. For this reason we have decided charter busses are the best method of transportation for the trip.

Please review the attached documents. The initial deposit of \$50 per traveler is quickly approaching. All deposits need to be returned with the contract so we can get them to the travel agent and lock down all the hotel and park reservation.

We are so excited about seeing the members marching down Main Street in Disney World. What an amazing memory this will be for them.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Mrs. Goff or Mr. Padget.

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