



SPRING TRIP INFO

- Dates: January 25-28
Transportation: Airplane, Southwest and possibly Jet Blue out of Richmond
Destination: Orlando, FL
Hotel: Universal Studios Endless Summer Resort
- Cost: The final cost will be determined by the number of students that commit to the trip and the final airfare that we are able to "lock in" but a reasonable estimate is \$1350.00/student. Your student's commitment will be their deposit. Please see below for details on the deposit, payment methods and payment schedule.
- Chaperones: 1 adult for every 10 paying students, plus 2 directors, plus a nurse, and 2 equipment truck drivers

Package Prices Include:

- Three nights lodging on a Universal Property
- A 4 day, 3 park hopper ticket (Universal Studios, Islands of Adventure Volcano Bay)
- Breakfast box provided by the GHBPA every morning
- 4 Meal coupons (\$20 value) to use (1 per day) in the amusement parks
- Round trip flight to and from Orlando
- Roundtrip transfers for Orlando airport to hotel.
- Transportation to and from airport and parks
- Performance in a Universal theme park
- Overnight security officers that will be on duty for Grafton HS only from 11pm-6am each night at the hotel.

*****This trip is an OPTIONAL trip—students are not required to attend*****

Please feel free to call or email me with any questions about your child attending the spring trip. Please understand that the final price of the trip is based on the number of students that make a deposit.

SPRING TRIP PARENT MEETING

There will be quick overview of the spring trip at 5:30pm on Aug.16 before the parent show to discuss details of the trip with parents if they have any questions. This portion of the meeting will last approx. 10-15 minutes.

DEPOSIT & PAYMENT SCHEDULE

The total trip cost is **estimated at \$1350** and **non-refundable deposit of \$350 is required** to reserve your spot on the spring trip **should be paid on Friday August 16. All deposits must be turned in Friday August 16 AFTER the parent preview show, Band Parents will be available to collect checks and record names of those students who have paid as availability on the trip will be limited to the number of airline seats available to the group (currently holding 90 student tickets)**

- **Please make checks out to "GHBPA" and include your student's name on check in the memo line.**

- There will be three additional payments due after the deposit (Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 22). Those payments can be turned into the red box in the band room.
- **If you have not paid your marching or concert fees then your first spring trip deposit will cover your outstanding fees. If your fees are not paid, you cannot go on the spring trip.**

STUDENT SAFETY

On any spring trip, student safety is our number one concern. The chaperones that are selected to go on the trip have chaperoned many hours and will take great care of your kids. We travel with a nurse that can take care of medical issues. We also hire private security IN ADDITION to the hotel security to watch our kids and our rooms at the hotel overnight. If you have any concerns, do not hesitate to email me: dkirsch@ycsd.york.va.us

SAMPLE ITINERARY

Day 1

- Meet at Grafton HS - take a school bus to the airport (schedule permitting)
- Early morning flight out of the Richmond airport
- Arrive and check in, go to a Universal Park for the afternoon and evening.
- Dinner included
- Hotel stay @ Universal Studios

Day 2

- Universal Studios Park all day
- Hotel stay @ Universal Studios
- Breakfast and dinner included

Day 3

- Universal Studios Park all day
- Hotel stay @ Universal Studios
- Breakfast and dinner included

Day 4

- Universal Studios Park in the morning and early afternoon
- Breakfast and lunch included
- Late evening flight home to the Richmond airport
- Take a school bus from the airport to Grafton HS (schedule permitting)