**Concord High School**

**Instrumental Music Program**

**Seattle Heritage Music Festival Trip**

**Thursday April 19th - Sunday April 22nd, 2018**

**Letter of Intent**

**Dear Parent/Guardians and Students,**

**This is a letter of intent to participate in the Concord High School Instrumental Music Programs trip to Seattle for the Heritage Music Festival Trip from Thursday April 19th – Sunday April 22nd, 2018. It is the intent of the Director and the Concord High School Instrumental Music Boosters (CHSIMB), to provide a Musical, Educational, and Personal experience/opportunity for your student. However, this trip is not an integral part of the Instrumental Music Program's academic pursuits, curriculum, or the focus of our fundraising efforts. This trip is purely an enrichment experience/opportunity and will not interfere with our curriculum throughout the academic year.**

**The following ensembles, which are created from the total body of student participants, are as follows:**

* **Symphonic Band**
* **String Orchestra**
* **Jazz Ensemble**
* **Auxiliary Unit**
* **Percussion Ensemble**

**Students will be placed in the ensembles according to the needs for instrumentation and the abilities of the individual. Rehearsals may occur during class (if the entire ensemble is participating), Intervention & Enrichment Period, After School or Weekends (a rehearsal schedule will be sent out by the beginning of December). Participation in this trip guarantees performance in at least one ensemble but the Director will determine which ensemble according to the instrumentation required for each performance.**

**This trip will provide the following experiences/opportunities for your student:**

* **Concert Performances**
* **Sight-Seeing and Historical day trips (Experience Music Project, Space Needle, Pike’s Place)**
* **High Level adjudication and critical feedback in performance**
* **Dinner cruise and Awards Ceremony on local island**
* **Both Choir and Band represent CHS.**

**Participation in this trip is not mandatory and once again is not the main focus of the curriculum or the fundraising efforts of the CHS Instrumental Music Program or CHSIMB (Boosters). However, it is critical that every student’s family help in our fundraising, donation/contribution efforts if they are planning on participating in this event. If we do not meet our payment goals for the festival, the trip will be cancelled!**

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT EDUCATION IS FREE, BUT EXPERIENCES AND OPPORTUNITIES ARE NOT!!**

**Parent/Guardians interested in Chaperoning should contact the director directly. Parent/Guardians who are selected as Chaperones, are at the discretion of the director.**

**CHSIMB (Boosters) and Individual Participant Fundraising, Donation/Contributions Goals:**

* **The total cost to CHSIMB (Boosters) for the CHS Instrumental Music Program to participate on this trip is $130,000.**
* **There are three installments to the travel company of $40,000, $40,000, & $50,000. These payments are due October 15th, December 15th, and February 15th. If any of these deadlines are missed due to the lack of money raised through fundraising or the lack of fundraising efforts and contributions by the students and their families; the trip will be cancelled.**
* **The CHSIMB (Boosters) have offered a trip voucher for all families who work 6 hours of Bingo for each of the Summer, Fall, Winter, and Spring Quarters. That is 24 hours over twelve months or four days out of 365 days. Additionally, the family must be Booster Members, which is a $75.00 donation to the program. This will reduce the individual contribution or fundraising goals per student. Students who are 18 years of age can work Bingo for themselves.**
  + **Early Registration (6/15/17) $200.00 Non-refundable Deposit, Letter of Intent, Quarterly Bingo Commitment, and Booster Membership. Total trip cost is $1400.00 with a $500.00 discount over ten months. Total cost $900.00**
  + **Regular Registration (9/15/17) $300.00 Non-Refundable deposit, Non-refundable Deposit, Letter of Intent, Quarterly Bingo Commitment, and Booster Membership. Total trip cost is $1400.00 with a $400.00 discount over 7 months. $1000.00**
  + **Regular Registration (No Discount)(9/15/17) Total trip cost is $1400.00 paid over 7 months. Total cost $1400.00**
  + **“First come, first serve” we only have room for 95 students on this trip.**
* **For the purpose of setting individual family goals the trip contribution will amount to $1400.00 per student.**
* **The CHSIMB (Boosters) are not in a position to offer a form of charity (scholarship) beyond the trip voucher that was mentioned above. It is critical for this trip to take place that all students and their families participate in every way that they possibly can this year.**

**Individual Fundraising Donation/Contribution Installment Deadlines:**

* **Please review separate Seattle Cost Sheet for details.**

**Once again, unfortunately the booster organization is unable to help individual students to meet their personal fundraising goals without total participation in our fundraising efforts or through individual donation/contributions. The booster organization is required by the district and California State Education Code to focus on the total amount that the Instrumental Music Program needs to raise to participate in this event. That means that we must focus on the collection of funds by all means to meet the installment deadlines by the travel agency and Heritage Festival Coordinators. So please go out and fundraise every opportunity you can and support our weekly Bingo event to help raise the necessary funds.**

**Mr. Gary Coartney**

**Director of Instrumental Music**

**Concord High School**

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**District Disclaimer:**

**Please note that you or your student is not required to purchase, donate, or contribute any portion of the costs for the (field) trip. However, if you voluntarily decide to purchase, donate, or contribute any portion of the costs for the trip, your purchase, donation, or contribution will be applied to the overall budget for all students to participate in this year’s trip. Additionally, the Director and Boosters have scheduled fundraising events in which you and/or your student will have the option to participate to help facilitate each student’s attendance. It is not mandatory that you or your student participate in any of the fundraising event(s) as a condition for attending the (field) trip(s).**

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**Parent/Student Agreement Form**

**This form acknowledges that you (the Parent/Guardian) and your student have read and understood the Letter of Intent and accept its terms and conditions.**

**Please sign below:**

**Parent / Guardian Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent / Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Student Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**\*Please complete one form per student if you have multiple students in the program.**

* **Please return this form with a Donation/Contribution check of $200.00 for your 1st payment/Non-Refundable Deposit for Early Registration 6/15/17.**
* **Please return this form with a Donation/Contribution check of $300.00 for your 1st payment/Non-Refundable Deposit for Regular Registration 9/15/17.**
* **If you are using your family account, please contact Theresa Dowd trephone@gmail.com or Erica Miller familyfivemiller@sbcglobal.net**

**Please make checks payable to:**

**“CHBB”**

**Please return in an envelope to Director in the Band Room, or mail to:**

**CHBB**

**P.O. Box 2114**

**Concord, CA 94521**