

# Universal Studios Orlando!

★ Universal ★ Orlando, FL ★ April 3rd-6th, 2020 ★

Dear Parent/Guardians and Students,

We're going to Universal Studios! Instrumental Music Director, Martin Lejano, and the Concord High School Instrumental Music Boosters are arranging a 4-day, 3-night trip to Orlando, Florida, April 3-6, 2020.

## What's included in the trip?

- 2-day tickets to Universal Studios Florida & Islands of Adventure
- Marching Band and Auxiliary Unit Performance at Universal Studios Florida
- Soundtracking workshops in a professional recording studio (symphonic band, string orchestra, jazz I and jazz II students)
- Dance workshop with a professional choreographer (Winterguard and Auxiliary Students)
- 4 festival competition performances (Symphonic Band, String Orchestra, Jazz Ensemble I, Jazz Ensemble II), complete with adjudication and clinic
- Private Awards Ceremony @ Animals Actors Stage in Universal Studios Florida
- 3-night stay at a Universal Studios Florida, Cabana Bay Beach Resort (or equivalent)
- Time at the resort pool/Florida beaches
- All meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner)
- All transportation (airfare and bussing)
- Trip T-shirt so it's easy to spot our crew at the parks
- Entertaining all the wide-eyed kids enjoying your performances and inspiring future musicians!

## What will it cost?

Booster members who complete their Bingo volunteer hours get a **\$300 discount!** Trip cost:

- \$1,000 for Booster members who fulfill their required Bingo volunteer hours
- \$1,300 for non-Booster members or Booster Members who do not fulfill their required Bingo volunteer hours.

The Boosters are offsetting costs to help make the trip more affordable. We want everyone to experience this opportunity of a lifetime to learn and grow together. Students will have an amazing educational music experience with behind-the-scenes workshops and park performances! Please see the attached Cost Sheet for your contribution plan options.

## **Who's going?**

Mr. Lejano will place students in ensembles according to instrumentation needs and students' abilities. Each student will attend one workshop and perform with at least one ensemble: Marching Band, Symphonic Band, String Orchestra, Jazz Ensemble I, Jazz Ensemble II & Auxiliaries.

## **Who's chaperoning?**

Students are accompanied by the Instrumental Music and Auxiliary Directors (Mr. Lejano & Andrea) as well as about 8-9 chaperones, chosen at Mr. Lejano's discretion. Let him know if you're interested. All chaperones must be fingerprinted and have a current TB test on file with the school district.

## **Can my family go too?**

Yes, families are welcome to plan concurrent travel to Orlando. It's great fun to cheer on our Marching Band and Auxiliaries as they perform at Universal! You'll need to make your own travel accommodations. Just be aware that your student will have a full schedule and student workshops are not open to families and guests.

## **How do we get there?**

Students and chaperones travel round trip on Alaskan Air (or equivalent). When we arrive in Orlando, there will be ground transportation to accommodate necessary travel needs.

## **Where do we stay?**

We're staying in the Universal Studios Florida, Cabana Bay Beach Resort (or equivalent) — 6 people to a room.

## **When do we rehearse?**

We'll rehearse during class if the entire ensemble is participating. We also may schedule a few after school or weekend rehearsals before the trip. The rehearsal schedule will be posted on the [chsmintemenmusic.org](http://chsmintemenmusic.org) website calendar.

# **YES, I'm IN!**

## **What to do Next**

1. Sign the attached Letter of Intent (LOI) and turn it in to the Band Room Mailbox with your \$250 deposit by **Wednesday, October 2nd, 2019**, so we can begin planning and budgeting. (See attached Cost sheet).
2. Mark your calendar for the Mandatory Trip Meeting on **Thursday, March 26, 2020**, from 7-9 pm.
3. Start planning your fundraising strategy. Get March-a-thon pledges, sign up for Bingo shifts, and ask family and friends for donations. See How to Pay for your Trip sheet.

# COST Sheet

## Pick the plan that works for you

We want everyone to have the opportunity to go on this trip; therefore, the Boosters are organizing a variety of fundraising opportunities to give you a chance to raise funds for it. These include the March-a-thon on Saturday, September 28, and Bingo.

Installment	Due Date	PLAN 1  For Booster Members who fulfill at least 6 hours of Bingo each Quarter*	PLAN 2  For non-Booster Members or Members who do not fulfill their Bingo hours
1	Wednesday, October 2, 2019	\$250  (non-refundable deposit unless trip is cancelled)	\$250  (non-refundable deposit unless trip is cancelled)
2	Wednesday, November 6, 2019	\$250	\$250
3	Wednesday, January 8, 2020	\$250	\$250
4	Wednesday, February 5, 2020	\$250	\$250
5	Wednesday, March 4, 2020	\$0 (or \$300 if all Bingo hours have not been completed)	\$300
<b>TOTAL TRIP COST</b>		<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,300</b>

\*Bingo Quarters: Q1—August, September, October; Q2—November, December, January; Q3—February, March, April; Q4—May, June, July. (New families only have to volunteer 4 Bingo hours the first quarter, then 6 hours per quarter after that.)

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).

★★★Please SIGN and RETURN this form by OCTOBER 2!★★★

# Letter of Intent

## Parent/Student Agreement Form

By signing below you are acknowledging the following:

- ✓ My student intends to participate in the CHS Universal Studios -- Orlando, Florida trip from Friday, April 3, 2020 through Monday, April 6, 2020.
- ✓ My family will make every effort to stay on the contribution installment schedule so the Booster organization is not at risk of losing funds paid to trip vendors.
- ✓ I understand that participation in this trip is not mandatory and is not the main focus of the curriculum or the fundraising efforts of the Boosters.
- ✓ I am committed to taking advantage of Booster fundraising opportunities to help offset my student's trip participation and/or to making installment payments.
- ✓ I understand that if we do not meet our payment goals for the event, the trip may be cancelled.

Instrumental Music Director, Martin Lejano and the Concord High School Instrumental Music Boosters are arranging this trip and offsetting costs to help make it affordable. We want everyone to experience this opportunity of a lifetime to learn and grow together as a group.

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

Parent/Guardian Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form with your \$250 deposit.

- Check # \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed. Payable to "CHBB"
- Please use shares from my Family Shares Account, Amt \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*One form per student\***

### Questions?

Family Shares Account—please contact Booster Treasurer Tammy Coartney, [sistersunshine94521@yahoo.com](mailto:sistersunshine94521@yahoo.com)

Trip Costs—please contact Booster President Jesse Phalen, [papaphalen@yahoo.com](mailto:papaphalen@yahoo.com), Tammy Coartney, or Mr. Lejano, [lejanomr@mdusd.org](mailto:lejanomr@mdusd.org)

Any other questions about the trip—please contact Trip Coordinator Katie Winter, [knwinter@ucdavis.edu](mailto:knwinter@ucdavis.edu)

Please return this form to the Band Room mailbox or mail to: CHBB, P.O. Box 2114, Concord, CA 94521