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GRASSFIELD ORCHESTRA AND BAND DEPARTMENTS NEW YORK CITY APRIL 11-14, 2024

THURSDAY, April 11

10:00 PM

Coaches arrive and loading begins

11:00 PM

Depart Grassfield High School – 2007 Grizzly Trail

Approximate 7.5 hour drive making stops along the way as necessary. Group will stop at the Grover Cleveland Service Area on the Turnpike to freshen up.

FRIDAY, April 12

7:00 AM

Upon arrival in the “**Big Apple**” both the orchestra and band will travel to **Rockefeller Center. The coaches will drop the group along W 50th Street in front of Top of the Rock entrance.**

Group will have the opportunity to purchase breakfast at several food vendors on the basement level of Rockefeller Center and a cafeteria/deli across from the NBC Studios building. The group will head to NBC Studios for a chance to get on the Morning Show!!

Enjoy a few minutes time to check out **St. Patrick’s Cathedral**

9:30 AM

Coaches will pick the group up at Rockefeller Center along 49th Street

9:45 AM

Polyphonix will be dropped at the Recording Studio, 723 7th Ave

The rest of the orchestra and band will transfer to **Brookfield Place** located across the street from the Memorial Pools in Lower Manhattan. (Coaches will drop the group along Liberty Street and South End Ave near Pumphouse Park)

Walk in chaperoned groups across the street to view the **9-11 Memorial Pools.**

Capture a glimpse of history surrounding the events of 9-11 and the rebirth in the World Trade Center area since 2001. Other places to see would be St. Paul’s Chapel and The Oculus.

There are food options inside Brookfield Place or the Oculus to grab lunch in chaperoned groups. **Lunch is not a part of the package plan**

1:30 PM

Group will meet your coaches at Pumphouse Park again and transfer to Times Square

2:00 PM

Pick up Polyphonix at **723 7th Ave** and head to the hotel.

3:30 PM

Hotel check in: **Hampton Inn Carlstadt at the Meadowlands**

304 Paterson Plank Road. 201-935-9000

5:00 PM

Depart the hotel and transfer into the city for dinner in chaperoned groups

5:30-6:30 PM

Group dinner at **Dallas BBQ Chelsea Area – 261 8th Ave**

Dinner to include: Chicken and Baby Back Ribs Combo or a Vegetarian option like Veggie Burger or Steamed Veggies including French Fries, Cornbread, Cole Slaw and Dessert. Unlimited Soda

6:45 PM

After dinner your coaches will transfer the group to **Lincoln Center**

8:00 PM

Group Admission to **NY Philharmonic** at the David Geffen Hall, Wu Tsai Theater, features Beatrice Rana as soloist in Rachmaninoff’s Piano Concerto No. 2. Renowned conductor Manfred Honeck also leads Tchaikovsky’s Fifth Symphony



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- 10:30 PM Meet your coaches and transfer to the hotel
11:00 PM Director/Escort meet the security officers (2) in the lobby. Security officers will provide private security for the group from 11pm to 6am.
Chaperones will do room checks and give instructions for the next day to their students.

SATURDAY, April 13

- 7:30 AM **Breakfast Buffet** Chamber group
8:00 AM **Breakfast Buffet** Band and Seniors
8:30 AM Chamber group departs the hotel for Pearl Studios – 500 8th Ave on the 36 Pax Coach
8:50 AM Chamber will arrive at **Pearl Studios** and set up in your room on the 3rd Floor
9:00-10:00 AM A Principal Member of the Juilliard Resident Quartet and former Grizzly Orchestra Member, Tiani Butts will provide a Master Class for the group
10:00AM – 12PM Maestro Adelson from the **NY Phil** will provide a private clinic.
- 9:00 AM The Band and Seniors will depart the hotel on the Double Decker Coach for Boulevard Carroll Studios at 625 W 55th Street, 6th Floor**
9:30 AM Arrive at Carroll Studios. Band disembarks with instruments
9:30 AM The rest of the orchestra will travel to Central Park and take a walk through the park to see sites like **Strawberry Fields, Bethesda Fountain, Conservation Pond and Alice in Wonderland. Coach will drop the group at THE MET area and the group will end up at Strawberry Fields.**
Double Decker meets the group near the American Museum of Natural History.
11:30 AM Double Decker will pick up the Band next and head to Pearl Studios to meet up with the other coach and the Chamber Orchestra.
Afternoon Food Tour – After the workshops the band and orchestra groups will break into small groups and head to China Town on the coaches. Coaches will drop the group along Bowery. Stops on the food tour are: Sweet Moments – Dim Sum – Pizzatown
Lunch is not a part of the package plan
TBD Meet your coaches along Bowery and head to Times Square where you will spend time shopping with your chaperones until time to meet for dinner at Hard Rock Café.
5:45 – 7:15 PM Group dinner at **Hard Rock Café - 1501 Broadway**
Dinner Choices: Original Legendary Burger, The Impossible Burger, Grilled Chicken Sandwich, Tupelo Chicken Tenders (all served with French Fries)
Twisted Mac, Chicken & Cheese, Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad, Soft Drinks, Tea or Coffee and a Brownie for Dessert
7:15 PM Walk down the street 3 minutes to the Stephen Sondheim Theatre 124 W 43rd Str
8:00 PM Group admission to **& Juliet**
& Juliet flips the script on the greatest love story ever told, imagining what would happen next if Juliet hadn't ended it all over Romeo, and got a second chance for life and love – on her terms.
11:00 PM Meet your coaches at a TBD location in chaperoned groups and return to hotel
11:20 PM Director/Escort meet the security officer in the lobby. Chaperones will do room checks and give instructions for the next day to their students.



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SUNDAY, April 14

ORCHESTRA GROUP ON THE DOUBLE DECKER COACH

- 8:00 AM **Breakfast Buffet for the Orchestra**
Hotel Check out and load instruments onto the 36 Pax Coach and luggage onto the Double Decker.
- 9:00 AM Orchestra will travel to **Six Flags Great Adventure** in chaperoned groups. Enjoy the balance of the day at the park in chaperoned groups. Group will meet for a meal in the park in chaperoned groups.
- 5:00 PM After the meal your group will walk together in chaperoned groups to bus parking and begin your trip back to Grassfield High School. Approximate travel time is 6 hours.

BAND GROUP ON THE 36 PAX COACH

- 9:00 AM Breakfast Buffet for the Band
- 10:30 AM Hotel Check out and load instruments and luggage onto the 36 Pax Coach
- 11:00 AM Depart the hotel and head into the city. Your group will stop at the **Washington Square Park** for an iconic opportunity for a group photo near the famous ARCH along Wavery Place & 5th Avenue.
- NOON Board your coach and travel to **The Donut Pub**. Coach will drop the group until pick up time after the Blue Man Show at 3:30pm. Break into small groups and get a bite to eat before the Blue Man Group show. The Donut Pub is special place to get an enormous donut. It is located on the backside of Astor Place Theatre.
Lunch is not a part of the package plan
- 1:15 PM Group will walk to the Astor Place Theatre - 434 Lafayette Place (5-minute walk)
- 1:30 PM Seating begins for the Blue Man Group
- 2:00-3:30 PM **Blue Man Group Show** – no intermission
- 3:35 PM Board your motorcoach waiting outside and head to **Six Flags Great Adventure** to meet the Orchestra. Approx 1.5-hour drive
Group may want to stop along the Turnpike to Eat dinner as the orchestra will have already eaten when you arrive. **Dinner is not a part of the package plan**
- 5:45 PM Arrive at Six Flags Great Adventure to meet the Orchestra
Orchestra and Band will adjust the seating and get comfortable before making your 6-hour trip back to Grassfield.
- 11:45 PM Arrive back to Grassfield HS