

Casteel HS Band & Orchestra



Tour to Anaheim, CA April 12th - 14th, 2018

This informational packet has been prepared to help answer questions, to inform you of expectations, and to help you prepare for an amazing musical experience in California!

Students and parents must read this handbook thoroughly and will be held responsible for the information therein.

Rules and Regulations

1. The use of drugs, alcohol or smoking, or any violation of the law is strictly prohibited. Bag inspections may be held at any time by a teacher or chaperone. If such things are found on or about any student, parents will be phoned and said student will be sent home at the expense of the parents.
2. No student is to leave their hotel room after room check at 10:30PM and will remain in their room until at least 6:00AM. If a student is found violating this rule, parents will be notified and said student will be confined to the hotel and a chaperone will be assigned to that student for the duration of the trip. All activities and privileges will be withheld from that student for the remainder of the trip.
3. No student shall be in a hotel room that is not assigned to them. Any student violating this rule will be confined to the hotel and a chaperone will be assigned to that student for the duration of the trip. All activities and privileges will be withheld from that student for the remainder of the trip.
4. Any student damaging property or stealing items that do not belong to them while in the hotel or anywhere else will be responsible for paying for those items which were stolen or damaged. All activities and privileges will be withheld from that student for the remainder of the trip.
5. All students will abide by the advice, judgement, and directions of the adult chaperones.
6. All school rules apply while on this trip, including but not limited to using appropriate language, wearing appropriate attire, and treating others with respect.
7. All students will be on time (meaning 10 minutes early) for all meetings and departures. If a student is late and significantly delays the group, the student will be confined to the hotel room at the discretion of the directors. If a student is 30 minutes or more late, the busses may leave without them and student is responsible for paying for transportation to hotel at which point the student will be confined to hotel for the remainder of the trip and will forgo all activities and privileges.
8. Students will be in assigned groups at all times. DO NOT ever go anywhere alone!
9. While on the bus, students will keep bus clean and respect others, including the bus driver, and adhere to all bus rules.

Other important Information

Safety

All students will be supervised by a chaperone at all activities. While at Disneyland, there will be two in-person check-ins with your chaperone and one text check-in. Remember to stay in groups of 3-4 at all times. NEVER go anywhere alone! While at Disneyland, if an emergency arises, inform your chaperone and go to the nearest first aid station. You will be given a list of chaperone cell phone numbers the day we leave. *All students are also required to submit the medical release form before they can travel with us.*

Meals

All meals are included in the cost **except** dinner on the way to California and lunch at Huntington Beach. These meals will be fast food like items, and will cost around \$10.

Hotel

We will be staying at the Embassy Suites Anaheim South. Students are responsible for leaving the rooms in excellent condition. Charging **anything** to your room is prohibited. Use personal cell phones for calls. Students will be responsible for any incidental charges incurred during the stay. Room checks will be each night at 10:30. At this time, all students need to be in their own rooms. Lights out/sleep time will be by 11:00 each night. Students must stay in their rooms until at least 6am. Do not bring expensive jewelry, electronics, etc. Never leave anything of value in your hotel room while you're away.

Make up Work

Students are responsible to make up all school work missed due to the music tour. Be sure to talk to your teachers ahead of time and plan ahead to complete the work on time.

Disneyland

We are attending Disneyland only, not California Adventure. Students need to stay inside the Disneyland park at all times and are not allowed to go to Downtown Disney or leave the park for any other reason.

Chaperones

Students will be assigned chaperones prior to departure. Chaperones have the right to make and enforce rules for the welfare of all participants. Students are not to question authority, but rather give respect to all adults and take responsibility for actions. Your chaperone will be your first point of contact when questions or situations arise.

Music in the Parks Festival

The music festival is the primary reason for this trip. We want to look and sound our best at the festival. Be aware that AT ALL TIMES, you are representing Casteel HS, your directors, yourself, and your family. Please display “courage, character, and commitment” as you watch other groups, walk the hotel halls, eat at eating establishments, etc. You are being watched and your behavior matters!

Tips

Tips for bus drivers have been calculated into the price of the trip. Please remember that any sit down restaurant requires a tip for your server.

Luggage

Please have all luggage, including carry-ons, clearly marked with your name. In addition to your instrument, you are allowed one suitcase and one carry-on for the bus. The carry-on needs to be able to fit under the seat in front of you. Keep in mind a backpack or cinch sack is a great way to carry personal belongings around Disneyland. When packing be sure to include performance uniform, shoes, sunscreen, hat, medications, toiletries, chargers, and blanket/pillow for ride home.

Busses

Our busses are charter busses. They are equipped with DVD players, a restroom, charging stations, and maybe wi-fi. Students may bring G or PG movies to play on the bus. Chaperones will be sitting throughout the bus monitoring students. Hands must be visible at all times. Remember to keep the bus neat by drinking only water and by not eating crumbly or messy foods. Let’s leave the bus nicer than we found it!

Departure

We will depart on Thursday, April 12th during the mid-day from Casteel HS. There you will meet your chaperone, exchange numbers, load the busses and depart.

Return

Busses leave Disneyland about 11:30PM April 14th. We plan to arrive back to CCHS about 7:00AM. Students will text or call as we get closer and have a better estimate.

2018 CASTEEL BAND AND ORCHESTRA TOUR EXPECATIONS AND HANDBOOK AGREEMENT

By signing and submitting this form, I agree to the policies and procedures put forth in this handbook, by the teachers and chaperones of the tour. I understand the following procedures will be adhered to:

- Hotel, Anaheim, Disneyland and Performance Venue are all seen as extensions of Casteel High School. Behavior will be handled as such.
- Zero-Tolerance Behaviors:
 - Members of opposite sex in students rooms
 - Illegal activity or suspicion of illegal activity. This is subject to law enforcement; Casteel HS will **not** post bail or act as a legal guardian for students in relation to law enforcement proceedings.

Any action deemed serious or hazardous by teachers will result in the following procedure:

- Student will be escorted back to hotel or airport.
- Parent is responsible for picking up student and for the travel home.

Teachers have final say in all procedures.

Student Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Ensemble: _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____