



**2010 EAST CENTRAL
HIGH SCHOOL GOLDEN
HORNET BAND TRIP**

The Band Directors, Principal and Superintendent have approved the hornet band taking a spring break trip to Disney / Busch Gardens in Florida. The requirements given were; the plans must include every meal for the students, must provide adequate supervision and that we must have a fundraising plan to help reduce the cost if possible.

The plan approved covers all meals for the passengers except the two required for the bus ride to Florida and covers a 2 option plan to provide chaperones for the trip. The first option would be for the band boosters to pay for four chaperones to take the trip, while the second option would be for the band boosters to pay for a portion of the cost for seven to ten chaperones to travel with the band. These \$3000.00 in costs are already covered in the annual budget of the boosters. In both cases parents would have to recognize the responsibilities that will be given to them.

We have developed a fundraising plan to help defer some of the cost for the trip but, it must be said up front, it will take all students and parents to make this plan effective without causing conflict with our already substantial budget to provide the annual necessities for the band. We already have a detailed fundraising plan to cover our entire budget already approved for the school year that has projected incomes for each fundraiser. These amounts are needed to cover our budget. The trip plan would use funds collected over our projected profit amounts and apply them to the trip fund. The fundraising plan would work like this on our two current fundraisers for example;

Hornet Cards
500 cards to sell
\$5.00 profit on each card
Projected profit \$1500.00
Possible profit \$2500.00
If all sold (\$1000.00 towards the trip)

(we have over 100 cards to hand out still)

Tumbler Sales
Unlimited tumblers to sell
\$4.50 profit on each tumbler
Projected profit \$2000.00 (444 tumblers)
Possible profit unlimited
If we sold 1000 (\$2500.00 towards the trip)
If we sold 2000 (\$7000.00 towards the trip)
If we sold 3000 (\$11,500.00 towards the trip)

The price break we give ourselves is really ALL up to the students and parents. We will be able to do this on almost all fundraising events and again the results are up to us.

The trip starts at \$785.00 per person and we need 75 travelers,

If we raise \$7125.00
It changes to \$690.00 per person,

If we raise \$18,750.00
It changes to \$535.00 per person,

If we raise \$30,375
It changes to \$380.00 per person.

Our school district does not have individual student accounts so everyone must realize this is a group project with all proceeds to be shared equally among the group. Also, all price breaks will come off the back end of the payment plan and based on the money we raise. Our finances are now very transparent so we will be able to see how much we have towards the trip each month. This is a spring break trip, which gives us less time to fundraise but, if we get everyone involved we can do this. Raise \$30,000 and reduce the trip fee by over half. You would never be able to have a 3 day Disney and 1 day Busch Gardens vacation on your own for \$385. It is all up to us and how much we want to put into this.

2010 Hornet Band Spring Disney Trip Tentative Itinerary

Destination: Orlando, Florida

Dates: March 14 – 19, 2010

Minimum Travelers 75

Bus: Regent Bus Company

Hotel: Hawthorn Suites or Country Inn & Suites

Performance: Disney's Magic Music Days

Basic Itinerary:

Sun., March 14: Travel Day, Stops as needed and a driver change mid-way.

Mon., March 15: Arrive in Orlando, Check-in, Epcot

Tues., March 16: Disney's Magic Music Days, Disney's Magic Kingdom.

Wed., March 17: Travel to Busch Gardens.

Thurs., March 18: Disney's Hollywood Studios, Depart for Home

Fri., March 19: Travel Day, Arrive Home

TRIP PRICE: \$785.00

The price of this trip includes;

Bus cost to and from Orlando with excursion to Busch Gardens.

Full Buffet Breakfast each morning at the hotel

3 Day Disney Tickets (not a park hopper) with 2 meals for each day (6 total).

1 Busch Garden Ticket with 2 meals for the day.

Contracted Security at the hotel.

2 meals for the bus trip to Orlando

2 meals for the bus trip home.

2010 Orlando – Hornet Band Trip Commitment Letter

Please return the attached commitment form with your deposit for the 2010 Hornet Band Trip to Orlando Florida. Please consider the following items before committing to this trip.

Dates:

Departing at March 14th, 2009

Returning on March 19th, 2009

Trip cost:

Total: \$785.00 (this is an all-inclusive price, including: hotel, meals, bus transportation, admission prices, security guard, gratuities). Please note: the deposit is non-refundable. Also, once trip payments have been made to our travel agencies, we cannot return monies to individuals.

Initial deposit - \$225 due no later than September 30th

\$25 non-refundable until October 15, 2009

Full deposit non-Refundable after October 15th!

2nd payment - \$155 due October 15th

3rd payment - \$155 due by November 15th

4th payment - \$155 due by December 15th

Final payment – \$95 due by January 15th

***The final few payments may be lower or completely eliminated depending on fundraising activities**

Rules:

All East Central ISD, High School, Hornet Band rules and regulations apply. Failure to cooperate will result in not being able to go on the trip, or being sent home at the expense of the parent. (This includes eligibility requirements)! **If your student is not eligible at the time of the trip – you are still responsible for the full trip cost – NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Statement of Commitment

2010 Marching Band Trip

I, _____, parent/guardian of _____ understand the time commitment and financial obligations that are involved in my son or daughter participating in the 2010 Band trip to Orlando, FL and agree to the items outlined above.

Parent/guardian Signature _____ Date _____

I, _____, Band member, understand the rules, as well as the time commitment and financial obligations that are involved in participating in the 2010 Band trip to Orlando, FL and agree to uphold them as I represent the East Central High School band program.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Payment Form

You have several options to make each payment for the trip...
Cash, Check or Credit/Debit Card (3% fee or \$23 for total trip cost)
(Debit cards must carry the visa/mc logo)

If you would like to pay via credit card, we can set up an automatic payment plan to charge your
account each payment due date! (3% fee applies)

Complete the form below and include it with your deposit.

Name: _____

Student Name(1): _____

Student Name(2): _____

Student Name(3): _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell: _____

E-Mail _____

How would you like to pay for your Deposit of \$225.00 (Refund policy stated on commitment letter)

Cash _____ Check _____ Credit/Debit _____ (3% fee or \$23 for total trip cost)

If you select Cash or Check – Make Checks Payable to: East Central Band Boosters

If you select Credit Card – Complete the following...

Name on Card: _____

Card Number: _____

Expiration: _____ Cvv2 Code (optional) _____

Signature: _____

Amount to Charge: \$ _____

Would you like to set-up automatic payments on this Credit Card? Yes _____ No _____

Automatic Payment Authorization:

I, _____ Agree to allow East Central Band Boosters to automatically charge the above mentioned credit card for the amounts disclosed and on the dates provided on the 2010 Orlando – Hornet Band Trip Commitment Letter. East Central Band Boosters agrees to comply with cardholder privacy laws and to fully comply with merchant policies. I understand there is a 3% fee that will be applied with each transaction)

Signature: _____