



# BIG WALNUT

## LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

### REQUEST FOR EXTENDED FIELD TRIP

The Board of Education recognizes that properly planned extended field trips provide students with valuable learning experiences beyond that which can be experienced inside the school walls. Extended (overnight) field trips while school is in session are not normally approved. The Board will consider special requests for such trips when they are necessary for a curriculum or curriculum purpose, well planned and satisfactorily financed.

Class/Students Who Will Participate: BWHS Band / Choir / Orchestra Students

Dates of Trip: 5-1-25 thru 5-5-25 Is this mandatory or voluntary for students: NO

Number of school days missed: 2 days (Fri. 5-2 and Monday 5-5)

Please describe the nature of the trip (destination, activities planned, educational objectives intended to be addressed, work expected of the students and follow-up upon return): Clinic with Loyola University Music Staff, attend New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival, Jazz Dinner Cruise, Swamp Tour, Cemetery Tour, etc.

Are you seeking educational option (independent study) credit to be offered to students: No

Funding Source: Student Payments, Booster Assistance as necessary

How will you assure that no student will be prevented from participating solely because of an inability to pay: Booster assistance

How will information about the trip be communicated and permission be obtained from the parents: Hard copies to interested students, info available through email

Who (and how many) will be chaperoning the trip: Porter, House, Read, parents.  
Chaperone ratio 10:1

Please explain why this trip must be taken during school time: When the Jazz and Heritage Festival is happening

How are transportation costs being covered: Through payments by families / Boosters

Name and signature of individual(s) submitting proposal: Craig Porter Craig Porter

Building Administrator's signature supporting proposal: [Signature]

Transportation Supervisor's signature supporting proposal (if required): [Signature]

Date: 9-16-25

THIS REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED AND REVIEWED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION PRIOR TO STUDENTS OR THE STAFF MEMBER MAKING A FINANCIAL COMMITMENT.



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## **BIG WALNUT HIGH SCHOOL BAND & CHOIR 2025 NEW ORLEANS TRIP**

Revised: May 23, 2024

- Two (2) Nights Hotel Accommodations in a New Orleans Area Hotel (May 2-4, 2025)
- Breakfast provided each morning at the hotel
- Admission to the Aquarium of the Americas
- Ticket for one day of festivities to the Jazz and Heritage Festival
- Admission for Swamp Tour
- Admission for band and choir clinic at Loyola University
- Admission to Blaine Kern's Mardi Gras World
- Walking Tour of the French Quarter
- Admission for City and Cemetery Tour
- Two (2) Group Dinners including Dinner and Jazz Cruise
- Estimated Round Trip bus transportation to, from and while in New Orleans \*\*Based on 40 paid per bus; 80 paid total passengers \*\*\*Includes driver rooms, tolls, parking fees and driver gratuity; subject to fuel surcharges 45-30 days prior to travel dates
- TWO (2) DIRECTOR PACKAGES \*\*Based on 80 paid
- Online Individual Services
- UR Tours and Events Representative while in New Orleans
- Liability Insurance Coverage

**PER PERSON PRICES - STUDENTS/QUAD: \$1,198**

**ADULTS/ DOUBLE: \$1,325**

Proposal prices are subject to change based on final number of participants and actual travel dates.

**PER PERSON PRICES BASED ON 90 PAID - STUDENTS/QUAD: \$1,115**

**ADULTS/ DOUBLE: \$1,239**

**WE ARE CURRENTLY NOT HOLDING ANY HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS OR BUS EQUIPMENT.**  
**A DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED TO CONFIRM TRIP COMPONENTS**

### **NOT INCLUDED:**

- Travel Insurance including cancel for any reason option is available for purchase. Custom link to be provided once dates and details are confirmed.
- Additional fuel surcharges, if applicable.

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**SAMPLE WORKING ITINERARY**  
**As of May 21, 2024**

**Thursday, May 1, 2025**

8pm Buses to depart for New Orleans, LA \*\*Approx 14 hours + stops

**Friday, May 2, 2025 (B, D)**

12pm Approximate arrival in New Orleans  
**Aquarium Visit**  
2pm **Walking Tour of the French Quarter**  
4pm Free time for shopping  
6pm **Group Dinner** at Mulate's or similar restaurant  
7:30pm Return to your hotel

**Saturday, May 3, 2025 (B)**

Breakfast will be provided this morning at the hotel  
9:30am Depart for **Swamp Tour**  
10:30am **Swamp Tour**  
12N Depart to **Loyola University for band and choir clinic**  
2pm Depart for **Jazz & Heritage Festival \*\***  
**Dinner on own**

**Sunday, May 4, 2025 (B, D)**

Breakfast will be provided this morning at the hotel  
10am **City and Cemetery Tour**  
Lunch on own at the Riverwalk Food Court  
**Tour of Mardi Gras World**  
Free time in the French Quarter  
5:30pm **Jazz Dinner Cruise**  
9pm Leave for home \*\*Approx 14 hr drive + stops + time change

\*\*UR Tours & Events, Inc. reserves the right to make changes in the itinerary deemed feasible and necessary.  
Be aware of DOT regulations! DOT regulations state that your driver may work for up to 15 hours, including both driving and non-driving duties. Drivers must be off a minimum of eight (8) hours after driving a maximum of ten (10) hours.

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