

Board of Education,

The Oregon High School band would again like to take their biennial summer trip, this time to Nashville, TN on June 7 – June 10, 2023. This would be our 7th consecutive trip on the every-other-year pattern and our first to Nashville. We have also invited the Honors Choir to join us on this trip. The trip is meant to be a reward for the current students in the music program as well as a recruitment tool for the younger students. The students will also be performing as part of this trip.

This is an optional trip for these students, and we will have approximately 50 students and 6 chaperones attending. It is our hope that the board would approve this trip since it is over 50 miles of travel. Through two years of fundraising efforts, our activity accounts are covering a large portion of the trip, with the remainder being covered out of the students' pockets. Please see the attached, temporary itinerary for any other details, and please let me know if you have further questions.

Thank you,

Andy Eckardt
Oregon High School Band Director



Oregon High School Band & Choir

Custom Nashville Itinerary

DAY 1: Sunday, Wednesday or Thursday, June 2023

<u>6:00am:</u>	Motorcoach arrives at Oregon High School for loading
<u>7:00am:</u>	Depart for Nashville!
<u>11:00am-12:00pm:</u>	Lunch (own expense) en route
<u>3:00-3:30am:</u>	Rest Stop
<u>5:30-6:30pm:</u>	It's off to Music Row for a personally guided tour of historic RCA's STUDIO B where Elvis recorded 262 songs! Be a Star for a Day - record a song from the studio of legends, & receive a custom CD!
<u>7:00pm:</u>	Approximate check-in to the BEST WESTERN PLUS or COMFORT SUITES – TBD- (or similar - upon availability) PIZZA (included) & Pool Party at Hotel – TBD

DAY 2: Monday, Thursday or Friday, June 2023

<u>6:30-7:30am:</u>	Expanded Continental Breakfast (included) at the Hotel
<u>7:40am:</u>	Depart
<u>8:30am:</u>	Arrive at Vanderbilt or Belmont University Set-up & Warm up
<u>9:00-10:00am:</u>	Oregon High School Band & Choir participates in MASTER CLASSES
<u>10:00-10:30am:</u>	Return equipment to Motorcoach, load & depart
<u>11:00am-1:00pm:</u>	Lunch (included) at WILDHORSE SALOON with Star of the Day Package & Line Dancing! Game Room upstairs
<u>1:15-2:25pm:</u>	Tour the COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME , the largest popular music museum in the world! See, hear, and experience what it means to be a part of Music Cityseventy years ago, or just last week!
<u>2:30-3:00pm:</u>	Set-up & warm up outside main entrance
<u>3:00-3:30pm:</u>	Oregon High School Band & Choir PERFORM
<u>4:15-6:15pm:</u>	Dinner (own expense) & Shopping at "THE DISTRICT" in Downtown Nashville
<u>6:30-7:30pm:</u>	Explore BICENTENNIAL CAPITOL MALL STATE PARK – this 19-acre park was built in honor of Tennessee's 200 th year of statehood and offers visitors a serene and captivation look into Tennessee history at every turn.
<u>7:45-8:15pm:</u>	Photo Opportunity at the centerpiece of Centennial Park and the city of Nashville's art museum... THE PARTHENON!
<u>8:45pm:</u>	Approximate return to hotel

DAY 3: Tuesday, Friday or Saturday, June 2023

<u>6:30-8:40am:</u>	Expanded Continental Breakfast (included) at the Hotel
<u>8:45am:</u>	Depart
<u>10:00-11:30am:</u>	Enjoy an ADMISSIONS & CAMPUS TOUR of Belmont University departing from the Belmont Mansion
<u>11:30am-1:00pm:</u>	Lunch (own expense) & Shopping at OPRY MILLS , Tennessee's premier retail destination with 200 name-brand outlets and specialty stores.
<u>1:15-2:15pm:</u>	Tour the GRAND OLE OPRY , the home of country music presents the many generations of artists who have formed country music's legacy and continue to forge its future course. End at the Grand Ole Opry Gift Shop .
<u>2:20-2:30pm:</u>	Photo Opportunity at Grand Ole Opry Plaza by Guitars!
<u>2:45-3:45pm:</u>	Visit OPRYLAND HOTEL and see its winding "rivers," tropical foliage and 85-foot water fountains!
<u>4:00-5:00pm:</u>	Dinner (included) at SANTA FE CATTLE COMPANY
<u>5:20-6:00pm:</u>	Arrive at Grand Ole Opry Plaza Band & Choir Set-up & warm up
<u>6:00-6:20pm:</u>	Oregon High School Band PERFORMS in front of entrance of Grand Ole Opry
<u>6:20-6:40pm:</u>	Oregon High School Choir PERFORMS in front of entrance of Grand Ole Opry
	Return equipment to Motorcoach & be seated for Show
<u>7:00-9:15pm:</u>	Enjoy the GRAND OLE OPRY SHOW!
<u>10:00pm:</u>	Depart for Home

DAY 4: Wednesday, Saturday or Sunday, June 2023

<u>6:30-8:00am:</u>	Expanded Continental Breakfast (included) at the Hotel
	Check-out of Hotel and load coach. Remember all of your belongings!!!!
<u>8:15am:</u>	Depart
<u>9:00-10:20am:</u>	Discover the STORIES BEHIND THE SONGS you love in a private session with one of Nashville's hit-making songwriters. This intimate session allows the rare opportunity to hear hits as they were originally written. The writer demonstrates to the group how a song is created from concept to hit. After the session, join the writer for a meet and greet and autograph signing.
<u>10:30pm:</u>	Depart for Home
<u>12:30-1:30am:</u>	Lunch (own expense) en route
<u>2:00-3:00pm:</u>	<i>Optional:</i> Stop at the Visitor Center of SHAWNEE NATIONAL FOREST , nestled in Southern Illinois between Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. It features strikingly beautiful oak-hickory forests, forests, flourishing wetlands, lush canyons, razorback ridges and unique geological features. (Herod, IL en route home)
<u>6:00-7:00pm:</u>	Dinner (own expense) en route
<u>10:00pm:</u>	Approximate return to Oregon High School