



DOWLING CATHOLIC BAND BOOSTERS

President Lori Hickok called the April 6, 2017 meeting to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed everyone in attendance. The meeting opened with a prayer and the introductions of the Band Directors and the Band Booster Officers.

Trip Coordinator

Dewayne Johnson shared two handouts (see attached documents) and quickly reviewed the tentative schedule for the trip. There are lots of things we don't and won't know for quite a while such as which hotel the Outback Bowl assigns us to; exact times for the parade, etc.

Registration for the trip will be handled via Bob Rogers Travel using their Individual Payment System. If possible, we would like all families to be registered by Monday, April 24th as the initial deposit is due on May 1st. Dewayne explained that the \$1,256 cost is an estimate based on the number of students and chaperones who participate and the final payment due on 11/15 will be the "true up."

Instructions on how to register are included in the attached documents. Payments are due on May 1, August 15, September 15, October 16 and November 15. Payments will be made through the website via credit or debit card. You will need to link your card to the system when you register. They will charge you \$1.00 and immediately credit the \$1.00 back to confirm your registration. The first payment will be charged on May 1.

Treasurer Veronica Degen explained that she and Dewayne will be working with Bob Rogers Travel on how to transfer monies from student's band accounts. Student band accounts are an account which is set-up for each band student for which band-related expenses are deducted. Band accounts are funded through payments made by families as well as proceeds from fundraising such as concessions at Drake basketball games and concessions at Wells Fargo Arena. (For more information about concessions at Wells Fargo Arena, please contact [Penny Orewiler](#).)

Since most of our fundraising is after the trip, Veronica also explained that the money earned for example, from Drake Concessions which is deposited in March of each year, can be used to reimburse families for payments they made on the trip provided they have their payment receipts.

Questions from parents were addressed including trip insurance (offered by Bob Rogers as an option; sign-up when you register) and more information about the actual performances while in Tampa. The band will compete in the Outback Bowl parade on the evening of December 31st and then, they will join 1,000s of other band students on the field to perform as one large band during the halftime show of the Outback Bowl. Here is a [YouTube video](#) of the performance at the 2017 Outback Bowl.

We need chaperones who can travel to and from Tampa with the band as well as, chaperones who can meet the band in Tampa and travel with them to their various activities. If you are

interested in being a chaperone, please contact the 2017-2018 Chaperone Committee Chair, [Maria Bartemes](#). Everyone who chaperones will need to have completed a background check and VIRTUS training.

Resource page with information about the trip is available at <http://dchsband.org/parents-outback-bowl/>

Colorguard

Lori shared Joan Bindel's report:

She reminded the group that the Colorguard will be leaving at 6:45 a.m. in the morning for their trip to Winter Guard International (WGI) in Dayton, Ohio. They will return on Sunday. Six students, two coaches and three chaperones will be in attendance. Watch [Facebook](#) for updates!

Upcoming Events

Please remember that the calendar is updated often! For details including daily practice schedule, see <http://dchsband.org/calendar/>

The New Parent meeting is scheduled for June 12th @ 6 p.m. The Returning Parent meeting is scheduled for June 26 @ 6 p.m. (New parents: if you are unable to attend on the 12th, you are welcome to join us on the 26th.)

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 4, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Johnson



DCHS - Outback Bowl Trip

Dec 28, 2017 - Jan 2, 2018

**Trip Summary - What we know and what we don't
Times are approximate. Schedule subject to change.**

***Tuesday, Dec 26:** Afternoon - Marching rehearsal in Des Moines. Location & Time TBD.

Thursday, Dec 28		
Load and Depart for Tampa	Noon - specifics TBD	Travel overnight
Friday, Dec 29		
Drive most of day, arrive Tampa	Arrive approx 5:30p	Pizza party at hotel
Saturday, Dec 30		
Visit Universal Orlando	7:30a - 8:30p 1½ hour drive each way	Participate in Sound Design: Music and the Art of Foley workshop. Includes park-to-park pass with free time.
Sunday, Dec 31		
Rehearsal for Outback Bowl	9a-Noon	
Visit International Plaza & Bay Street	Noon-2	
National Outback Bowl parade	2p-6p	Step off at 5:30p
Visit Busch Gardens	6:30p - 12:30a	Awards ceremony and free time at park
Return to Hotel	12:30a	
Monday, Jan 1		
Checkout of hotel & load busses	7a	
Final rehearsal & prep	8a - 9:30a	
Outback Bowl	9:30a - 2:30p	Includes pregame & halftime. Kickoff at 11a
Load coaches for return to Iowa	Approx. 2:30p	Mass en route
Tuesday, Jan 2		
Drive all day	8p	Approx arrival time.

What we know:

- Costs per student are anticipated to be about \$1,300. Includes:
 - Hotel for 3 nights (4 students/room)
 - Bus transportation
 - Breakfast at hotel each day
 - Pizza party at hotel
 - Meal voucher at Universal
 - One-day park-to-park at Universal
 - Outback Bowl
 - Parade participation
 - Awards Ceremony
 - NYE at Busch Gardens
 - Bowl game
- Costs for Chaperones are the same, but double occupancy.
- Meals which are NOT included:
 - Bus trip to Tampa: Dinner, Breakfast, Lunch
 - Universal day: Lunch
 - Sunday: Lunch at Plaza
 - Bus trip Home: Dinner, Breakfast, Lunch
- We will plan to offer “tag along” packages which will not include any transportation.
 - Tickets to Outback Bowl, Universal, etc.
 - Cost still TBD

What we DON'T know:

- Which hotel. Will not be known until December.
- Location of Dec 26 rehearsal in Des Moines.
- Costs for extra tickets
- Specifics on times. Lots of this subject to change.
- Access for tag along packages.

Key Dates:

- **Student commitment: Spring TBD**
- **Deposit: May 1, 2017**
- **Chaperone commitment: May 10, 2017**

Needs:

- Chaperones - at least 12-15

Questions?

Please contact Dewayne Johnson (Trip Coordinator) dewayne.johnson@gmail.com



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INDIVIDUAL PAYMENT SYSTEM

Your group leader has elected to utilize Bob Rogers Travel's online Individual Payment System (IPS) to collect trip payments. Please read the following information to assist you in registering for this trip.

TRIP DETAILS

Trip ID:	IA002700011
Group Name:	Dowling Catholic High School Band
Group Leader:	Nicholas Hoover & Stephen Holland – Directors
Destination:	Orlando & Tampa (Outback Bowl), Florida
Trip Dates:	December 28, 2017 – January 2, 2018

All package costs are based on projected participation and occupancy, and are subject to change.

Participant Type	Occupancy	
Student	\$1,256.00 (all students in quad occupancy)	
	Double	Single
Chaperone	\$1,256.00	Not Available

Payment Details	Due Date	Amount Due
Registration Deadline	April 24, 2017	---
Deposit	May 1, 2017	\$200.00 per traveler
2nd Payment	August 15, 2017	\$300.00 per traveler
3rd Payment	September 15, 2017	\$300.00 per traveler
4th Payment	October 16, 2017	\$300.00 per traveler
Final Payment	November 15, 2017	Remaining Balance

Payments must be made through the IPS system via **VISA, MasterCard, DISCOVER Credit/Debit Card** or **VISA/Mastercard Reloadable Prepaid Card** (available at your local financial institution) and will be automatically deducted from your selected card on the payment due dates.

All Gift Cards are not accepted.

CANCELLATION POLICY

All cancellations must be in writing to Bob Rogers Travel. All money and fees paid prior to the individual cancellation (determined by the postmark or email date) are nonrefundable and nontransferable. No refunds or credits will be issued for a cancelled participant.



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR CREATING YOUR IPS ACCOUNT

You will need the following items to be able to create your IPS Account.

- An active Credit /Debit/Reloadable Prepaid Card endorsed by Visa, MasterCard or Discover.
- An active email account.
- Your Trip ID.
- Internet access.

STEP 1:

- Go to ips.bobrogerstravel.com to begin the registration process.
- If you are new user to the IPS system, please enter in Trip ID #: IA002700011 to register.
- If you are a returning user, please enter in your E-mail and password to register.

<h3>Returning Users</h3>	<h3>New Users</h3>
<p>E-Mail Address <input type="text"/></p>	<p>Enter the trip ID provided by your organizer and click Register.</p>
<p>Password <input type="text"/></p>	<p>Trip ID <input type="text"/></p>
<p><input type="button" value="Login"/> <input <="" input="" type="button" value="Forgot Password?"/></p>	<p><input type="button" value="Register"/></p>

STEP 2:

- Complete all appropriate fields.
 - Password must be alpha & numeric with a minimum of eight characters and one upper case character.

STEP 3:

- Read and accept the following Travel Insurance Acknowledgement and Travel Agreement.

STEP 4:

- After all appropriate information has been supplied, an enrollment email will be sent to the provided address. All future notifications will come via email. *(Check junk/spam folder if emails are not received.)*
 - If you need to **register additional travelers**, please login using your email and password, then click on the trip ID and select “Add a Traveler”.
 - Return to ips.bobrogerstravel.com to review your account and update your payment information.

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