



SAINT AMANT HIGH SCHOOL BANDS

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Dear Parents and Students,

As many of you may already know, The St. Amant High Band is planning a trip to New York City for the Wind Symphony's performance in the *National Band and Orchestra Festival at Carnegie Hall* on March 27-30, 2023. *Preliminary approval has been granted, and we are awaiting final approval from the school board which we anticipate having very soon.*

All students who are members of the Wind Symphony must participate in this event. If for some reason a Wind Symphony member cannot participate due to financial or other reasons, please set up a time to meet with me so we can discuss options for funding or alternate accommodations. We will do everything possible to ensure that all Wind Symphony members are able to participate in this life-changing opportunity.

We held preliminary discussion regarding the trip at last week's band booster meeting. A second meeting for all students and parents wishing to participate will be held on **Thursday, September 14, 2023** in the Band Room. At this meeting, we will layout and discuss the final details and financial commitments involved in planning this trip. *A parent or legal guardian of each student participating in this trip must attend this meeting.*

The maximum student cost of this trip will be \$1920 (quad occupancy). This amount will likely be reduced based on the amount of donations and sponsorships received. The trip package includes all of the items detailed in the contract including accommodations, airfare, a Broadway show, sightseeing opportunities, a dinner cruise and much more. Students will be given the opportunity to fund-raise all or part of their portion throughout the next four months to offset costs. Any money already earned through the cookie dough fundraiser or any funds carried over from last year will be applied to each student's accounts.

All currently available trip documents including contracts, medical and school releases, and information regarding trip registration can be found on our website at www.staband.com/newyork.html

If you require paper copies of any of these documents, please have your child request one from the band staff.

Signed contacts, releases, and deposits are due **Friday, September 15, 2023.**

If you plan on attending this trip and would like triple, double, or single accommodations (3, 2, or 1 to a room), these documents can also be found on the band website.

For more information or to download additional documents, please visit our website at www.staband.com.

Sincerely,

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