

2018 CINCINNATI TOUR INFORMATION PACKET



This tour is a Riverside Local Board of Education approved educational field trip. The purpose of this tour is to immerse each participating student in musical and cultural education, which furthers our classroom curriculum while providing experiences and memories that last a lifetime. This handbook is designed to provide all necessary information to participants and their parents regarding our tour.

Highlights:

Clinic with Professional Conductor
Performance of Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra
Performance of CAMELOT at The Aronoff Center
River Boat Tour & Newport on the Levee
Dinner at Bucca di Beppo's
Locations of Historical Importance
King's Island Amusement Park

Dates:

Thursday, May 10 – Saturday, May 12

Destination:

Cincinnati, Ohio

Hotel:

Hilton Garden Inn – Blue Ash
5300 Cornell Road
Blue Ash, OH 45242

Transportation:

Baron's Bus Lines
Cleveland, OH 44146

REGULATIONS and GUIDELINES

As a Riverside Local Board of Education approved educational field trip, all school rules of conduct and behavior as listed in the John R. Williams Junior High Student Handbook will be in effect throughout the entire trip. Infractions will be dealt with on the spot with further action, if needed, taken upon return to Riverside.

Flagrant violations involving alcohol, chemical abuse, theft or destruction of property will result in the immediate return of those student(s) involved to Painesville via the next available form of public transportation at the expense of the parent or guardian.

Suitcases/Packing:

- One suitcase ONLY. Keep suitcases to a minimal size. Large suitcases may not be permitted. We have a significant amount of musical equipment to take. The equipment will be loaded first. The remaining room is for luggage.
- Students are permitted to take one small carry-on on the bus (example: book bags).
- Pack clothing that can be mixed/matched. Please consider the region you are traveling to and the weather forecast.
- Dress comfortably for the bus ride.
- We encourage students to leave any valuables at home. (no laptops, grandma's diamond ear rings, etc.)
- Once students are on the bus and it is loaded, we will not be able to access luggage until we arrive at the hotel. Make sure that any necessities (especially money) are in the carry-on.

Dress:

- All school rules apply
- The weather is likely to be temperate (mild to warm) this May. Prepare for any occasion.
- **OUTFIT FOR FRIDAY WORKSHOP:** Black Polo Shirt and Khaki Pants (girls may elect to wear capris)
- NO t-shirts with offensive slogans or drawings allowed on this tour.
- Remember that you are representing JRW Junior High School and your state.
- Each student is solely responsible for his/her own luggage and personal belongings. The school is NOT responsible for lost luggage or belongings.

Money Needed:

Students will need money for the following:

Friday: Lunch only

Saturday: Lunch and Dinner at King's Island

Students may wish to bring money for souvenirs while in Columbus and Cincinnati.

Instruments:

Each band member is responsible for his/her own instrument. DO NOT rely on someone else to put YOUR instrument on the bus. Instruments will be placed under bus #1. We will need to record all instrument serial numbers.



Medicines:

- A doctor's note (on Prescriber and Parent Request Form) indicating permission to administer ANY medication is required.
- Any medication that a student will be requiring on this tour must be in the possession of Mr. Draime or Mr. Schwartz. This includes prescription drugs as well as over-the-counter drugs.
- Package and label any medications with explicit instructions and give to Mr. Draime no later than **Monday, May 7th**. Please ensure that medication names and dosages are concealed. **All Medications must be in the original containers only.**

Hotel and Hotel Rooms:

- All room assignments are final and will not be changed.
- All students are responsible for the care of their rooms. Any damage will be paid for by the students assigned to that room prior to departure.
- There is no reason to use the telephone in the rooms. Do not call between rooms. If you need to phone home in an emergency, find Mr. Draime or Mr. Schwartz.
- Do not move furniture or beds.
- Keep the room noise and TV set at low levels. No stereos, MP3 or CD players are to be used without headphones. Hotels have strict guidelines pertaining to noise, not only in the rooms, but in the halls, lobby and other areas. The hotel's quiet hours will be enforced out of courtesy to others.
- No running through the halls or stairways – no horseplay in the hotel whatsoever.
- Riverside students should not be in parts of the hotel not associated with us, or our interests. People not with our group may NOT be invited into our area of the hotel.
- During any free time at the hotel students are not permitted to leave the hotel property.
- **NO boys in girls' rooms and vice versa.** If an infraction occurs, both parties will be disciplined – no exceptions.

- Designated times for you to be in your rooms are to be complied with without question.
- DO NOT open the door for strangers. Chaperones or the directors will identify ourselves if we need to talk with students in the room.
- The “Pay-Per-View” options will be disabled in all rooms.
- Chaperones will check rooms at night curfew.
- You are not permitted to leave your room for any reason until breakfast.
- There will be a security guard hired for the overnight hours.
- You are to maintain quiet until breakfast. Remember that there are other guests in the hotel. Noise during quiet hours will not be tolerated.
- You must come to breakfast with shoes and looking reasonably presentable (no pajamas)
- All school rules and corresponding consequences will be applicable for the entire duration of the tour.

Chartered Buses:

- Students will only ride on the bus to which they are assigned.
- When the director, chaperone, driver or tour guide address the bus, give him/her your undivided attention. (this means to please be quiet with headphones off)
- Be seated as soon as you enter the bus so attendance can be taken.
- Remain in your seat while the bus is moving.
- Radios, MP3 players and CD players must be of a small size and are to be used with headphones only. Do not ask the bus operators to play recorded music over the bus system.
- The chartered buses will have a DVD player. You may bring acceptable movies (G, PG, and pre-approved PG-13 ONLY). All movies must be approved by Mr. Draime prior to our departure. The deadline for approval is: **Friday, April 27th**. Be sure to label your DVD with your name.
- If you elect to bring snack foods with you we ask that you limit yourselves to non-messy food items. Coolers and glass bottles are not permitted on this tour. Please avoid large beverage containers on the bus.
- It is your responsibility to keep the bus floor and seats clean at all times. Please keep in mind that we are representing our school and community on the buses as well.
- The buses may make restroom stops while traveling. Please refrain, if possible, from using the bus restroom.
- No flash photography will be permitted on the bus, as it is dangerous for the driver.
- As a courtesy to the bus operator, please remain out of the aisles.
- Please take your shoes off before you put your feet on any of the bus seats.
- When arriving at destinations, remain in your seat until the bus completely stops.
- You will only exit the bus after Mr. Draime or Mr. Schwartz clears you to do so.

General Items:

- Disrespect of any nature demonstrated toward any other student, chaperones, directors, or individuals encountered on our tour will not be tolerated.
- Students must remain in groups while on this tour. Each group will consist of no less than 4 JRW students. Under no circumstance may students venture on their own.
- Student groups late to “check-in times” will spend the remainder of the day with a chaperone.
- All itinerary activities are mandatory. No student groups are to deviate from the itinerary schedule.
- ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE EXPECTED TO ACT AS LADIES AND GENTLEMEN AT ALL TIMES. IT IS REQUIRED THAT ALL PARTICIPANTS BEHAVE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT OF THE RIVERSIDE LOCAL SCHOOLS. Any student not adhering to the rules and regulations or acting in a manner inappropriate for a JRW band member will face disciplinary action outlined in the Riverside Local Schools Code of Conduct.
- Every student must have some form of identification while on this tour.
- If severe problems occur with a student, the parents will be contacted immediately. If an incident requires, the student may be sent home at the parents' expense.

Be sure to read all of the preceding rules and regulations carefully. Each student will be held responsible for his or her actions. If you are in doubt about any procedures, ASK!!!! Remember, if you wouldn't do it right next to Mr. Draime . . . DON'T DO IT AT ALL!

Represent yourself in a manner that will make everyone proud of a job well done. We want people to say, “We are glad you came” instead of “we are glad you are leaving.”

Take pride in your band, your school, your community, and most importantly, YOURSELF!

Enjoy the trip!

Some General Tips For This Tour:

Good manners at all times! “Thank you” and “please” should be important words that are used often in our travels.

No profane language, excessive rowdiness, or roughhousing permitted at any time.

Have patience! We are traveling with a large group.

If you are having a personal problem with a roommate, try dealing with it yourself. If you are not able to resolve an issue, see a chaperone or director.

Plan ahead and be on time!!! Scheduled times must be met. Do not be the cause for the entire group to be late. It is unfair to the group for you to waste their time because you did not plan and pay attention to times.

Help each other! Remind each other of times, uniforms, etc. Share responsibilities. Be thoughtful, kind, and courteous.

Get sleep!! Don't keep others from getting sleep either.

Eat your meals! Breakfast is very important!

Security will be monitoring the hallways through the entire night. Use the peephole in your door to check on the identity of who is knocking. Do not open the door for strangers!!!

TOUR ITINERARY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9th:

Notes: All luggage will be dropped off for the evening
Each student may bring 1 suitcase (reasonable size) & 1 carry-on (i.e. book bag)
Carry-on bag should be brought on Thursday morning
Luggage will be secured for the evening

5:00 pm to Luggage / Instrument Drop-Off (you will not drop-off your carry-on bag)

7:00 pm *Band Room Will Be Locked For The Evening

THURSDAY, MAY 10th:

Clothes Needed: Casual for traveling and nice enough for evening dinner.
"Nice" clothes DO NOT include torn jeans. Please avoid t-shirts for dinner.

Money Needed: Bagged Lunch on your own (at COSI).
Dinner provided (Dinner Cruise).

Notes: You can bring a snack for the ride to Columbus/Cincinnati.
Check-in at the hotel: Follow directions carefully. Remain on the bus until a director asks you to exit. Room captains will be asked to exit the buses first.
Leave your instruments under the bus.

7:10 am	Students Arrive at the Band Room
7:30 am	Charter Buses Arrive at Riverside / Loading Begins
8:00 am	Depart for Columbus, Ohio
11:15 am	Arrive at COSI Columbus (Center of Science and Industry) Our Tour Director will meet us at COSI to assist with admission Lunch: bagged
1:00 pm	Extreme Screen Film at COSI
2:15 pm	Depart for Ohio State House Tour the Ohio State House
3:45 pm	Depart for Covington, Kentucky
5:45 pm	Arrive at "BB RIVERBOAT" Dinner Cruise boarding area Board Boat: 6:20pm (or shortly thereafter) Dinner and Cruise: 7:00pm
9:45 pm	Depart for Hotel in Blue Ash, Ohio
10:15 pm	Arrive at Hilton – Garden Inn in Blue Ash, Ohio (Cincinnati) / Check-In
11:15 pm	Curfew – All Students Must Remain In Rooms Until Morning Wake-Up Security Guard On Duty From 11:00pm through 5:00am

FRIDAY, MAY 11th:

Clothes Needed:	Black Polo and Khaki Pants No Jeans – No T-Shirts <u>Today is our clinic and concert day – Dress Nice!</u>
Money Needed:	Breakfast provided (Hampton Inn). Lunch on your own at Newport (\$10 to \$15).
Notes:	You May Want To Wear Tennis Shoes For Walking. BRING DRESS SHOES FOR CLINIC / CONCERT MAKE SURE INSTRUMENTS & MUSIC ARE ON BUS FOR THE DAY

7:15 am	Wake-Up
7:45 am	Deluxe Continental Breakfast
8:30 am	Load Buses / Depart for Newport on the Levee
9:15 am	Arrive and visit Newport on the Levee Walk across the Newport Southbank Bridge – "Purple People Bridge"
10:00 am	Board Buses and depart for Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Concert
11:00 pm	Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Morning Concert

SCHUMANN: Overture to Die Braut von Messina (The Bride of Messina) /
BRAHMS: Violin Concerto / **BEETHOVEN:** Symphony No. 7

- 1:30 pm Walk as a group to **LUNCH at Fountain Square**
- 2:30pm Depart for **University of Cincinnati**
- 3:15pm Clinic at **University of Cincinnati – Rockwern Band Center**
 Clinician: **Dr. Jodi Besse: University of Cincinnati**
- 4:45 pm Load Buses to go to **DINNER @ Buca di Beppo in Cincinnati**
- 5:15 pm **DINNER at Buca di Beppo**
- 6:15 pm Load Buses / Depart for **Aronoff Center’s Jarson-Kaplan Theater**
- 7:30pm **CAMELOT The Musical!**
- 10:15pm Depart for **Hilton – Garden Inn**
- 11:00pm Arrive at **Hilton – Garden Inn**
- 11:30pm Curfew – All Students Should Begin Packing For Morning Check-Out

Security will be watching the hallways all night. No one is permitted to leave their room after room check each night.

SATURDAY, MAY 12th:

- Clothes Needed: Casual for enjoying King’s Island Amusement Park and riding rides.
 Tour Shirts are recommended.
 Consider comfortable walking shoes (tennis shoes with socks are recommended)
 Sunscreen / bug spray are recommended
- Money Needed: Breakfast provided (Hampton Inn).
 Lunch on your own at the park.
 Dinner on your own at the park.
- Notes: **WE WILL CHECK OUT TODAY!**
 Be sure to pack all your items (check twice) and clean hotel room.
 While in the park all students must remain in groups of no less than 4.
 Each group will check in with chaperones at 2:30pm (in person).

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- 7:00 am Wake-Up
- 7:30 am Deluxe Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 am Begin Check-Out (Room Chaperones Will Check Each Room Out)

- 9:20 am Depart for **Kings Island Amusement Park** in **Kings Mills, Ohio**
- 9:40 am Arrive at **Kings Island**
Before entering the park we will meet at the location that we will meet prior to departure (location will be in front of the park entrance)
- At 2:00pm we will meet at “Eifel Tower” located inside Kings Island Park.
- Students may NOT leave the park for any reason during the day until the group departs for the evening.
- 6:45 pm All Report to Park Entrance (as shown and discussed earlier in the day).
- 7:00 pm Load Buses / Depart for **Riverside High School**
- 11:30 pm Arrive at **Riverside High School** / Unload

CONGRATULATIONS ON A SUCCESSFUL TOUR!!



Fun Info

On The Places

We'll Visit!

COSI - COLUMBUS

The actual creation of COSI resulted from a fortuitous coming together of personalities and circumstances. The inspiration and idea for the Center, of course, came from Sandy Hallock who took the idea to a business acquaintance, Herschel Stephan. Mr. Stephan was the President of the Franklin County Historical Society which was housed in the county's old Memorial Hall building at 280 E. Broad Street, Columbus Ohio. He took the idea of creating a science museum to the Historical Society's board of Trustees. In November of 1961, the Board presented a formal plan to establish a Center of Science and Industry to the Franklin County Commissioners. In October, 1962, the Franklin County Commissioners agreed to allocate the funds needed for the renovation of Memorial Hall. COSI opened to the public on March 29, 1964. That first day, an Easter Sunday, COSI welcomed more than 5,000 guests, who paid 50 cents for an adult and 25 cents for a youth admission.

After 35 years in Memorial Hall, COSI moved to its current location in downtown Columbus at 333 West Broad Street on November 6, 1999. Internationally renowned architect Arata Isozaki designed the 320,000 square foot building to showcase the future of COSI. Since 1964, COSI has welcomed nearly 20 million visitors from all 50 states and numerous foreign countries.

Visit this website to learn more: <http://www.cosi.org/about/history/#ixzzomA5moJhL>

OHIO STATE HOUSE

The Ohio Statehouse is one of America's finest examples of Greek Revival architecture and is one of the oldest working statehouses in the United States. The Ohio Statehouse was completed in 1861 after 22 years of construction. The sweeping grand staircase of the Senate Building was modeled after the Paris Opera House. Restored to its original grandeur in 1996, the Statehouse is filled with priceless historic art, including a marble bust of Abraham Lincoln – the only one the President posed for during his lifetime. Even the Statehouse's expansive grounds have a history, as Civil War Union soldiers frequently camped there.

Visit this website to learn more: www.statehouse.state.oh.us

BB RIVERBOAT DINNER CRUISE

In 1979, BB Riverboats was formed and a staff began booking cruises from the 2nd deck of the Mike Fink Restaurant. The first cruise was on March 15, 1980 on the M/V Betty Blake. The Betty Blake was a 400 passenger sternwheeler that was leased from the Gateway Clipper Company from Pittsburgh, PA.

BB Riverboats has had the distinction of being awarded the exclusive rights for riverboat cruises in the 1982 World's Fair in Knoxville, TN. This was the company's first big break and really propelled it into the future. BB Riverboats has been a key component in all of the "Tall Stacks" festivals, which have occurred here in the Cincinnati area in 1988, 1992, 1995, 1999, 2003, and 2006.

We will be enjoying terrific food, excellent views and highest level of hospitality during our time on this cruise.

Visit this website to learn more: www.lacomedia.com

ARONOFF CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Situated in Cincinnati's urban core, the Aronoff Center is located in a district that offers more than 400 ways to shop, dine, play, and stay – all within walking distance. From shopping at the region's only Tiffany & Co. and Saks Fifth Avenue to celebrating with friends over dinner at unique dining experiences, downtown is alive with a sophisticated and exciting mix of nationally-known favorites and local one-of-a-kind establishments.

Events that can typically be found at the Aronoff Center include: plays, ballet, popular music concerts, stand-up comedy shows, and musicals. This year the 9th grade band will enjoy SHREK The Musical at Aronoff Center's Jarson-Kaplan Theater.

Visit this website to learn more: <https://www.cincinnatiarts.org/aronoff-center>

NEWPORT SOUTHBANK “PURPLE PEOPLE” BRIDGE

This Ohio River pedestrian bridge crosses from the Southbank of Cincinnati, Ohio, to the Northbank of Newport, Kentucky, and has been in existence since 1872. This historical structure, called the Purple People Bridge is a local attraction that is a wonderful source of pride and identity for the surrounding communities.

Visit this website to learn more: www.purplepeoplebridge.com

THE CINCINNATI SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra is a dynamic ensemble of some of the world's finest musicians. As the fifth oldest symphony orchestra in the United States and the oldest orchestra in Ohio, the CPO has played a leading role in the cultural life of Greater Cincinnati and the Midwest since its founding in 1895.

Over the years, the CPO and CSO have built a reputation as being among the world's foremost orchestras and a champion of the new music of its day. The CSO has been home to the American premieres of works by such composers as Debussy, Ravel and Bartók, and has commissioned works that have since become mainstays of the classical repertoire, including Aaron Copland's Fanfare for the Common Man. The CSO and CPO were the first orchestras to be broadcast to a national radio audience (1921). Today, the orchestras continue to commission new works and to program an impressive array of music.

Visit this website to learn more: www.cincinnati-symphony.org

KINGS ISLAND AMUSEMENT PARK

This 364-acre amusement and water park features more than 80 world-class rides, shows and attractions including 14 thrill-inducing roller coasters! Opened in 2014, The Banshee hit the park as, the tallest fastest hanging roller coaster in the world that year. Also noteworthy is The Diamondback, which stands 230 feet at its highest point with a first drop of 215 feet at a 74-degree angle and at speeds of up to 80 miles per hour! From thrill rides to live shows to great food and treats, King's Island has everything you'll need for the best time of your life!

Visit this website to learn more: www.visitkingsisland.com