

Tour Itinerary

Marching Band of Pirates

of

Braden River High School

Bradenton, FL

Philadelphia & NYC

Carry this booklet with you. Times listed and the sequence of events may change due to weather or crowd conditions, so please be flexible. Only your Director or a Music Travel Consultants Escort (if applicable) will announce schedule changes. Times listed are local in each place.

TUESDAY, NOV. 20 **TRAVEL DAY** **D**

"REMIND App Instructions"

To insure quick communication during your group's trip, Music Travel Consultants has set up 'Remind,' a rapid, private, secure way for your MTC Tour Director to send an important text message to the personal cell phone of each traveler. For trip participants only, text @1811-3-69 to 81010 and follow the prompts.

10:30am Load the Coaches

Board the charter coach with everything you will need for the trip. You may also bring a blanket and pillow for comfort.

11:00am Depart the School

Depart for the journey by motor coach. Several rest stops, and a driver change (if applicable) will be made along the way. Get some rest for the busy days ahead.

Dinner En Route

Meal money will be provided for a fast food dinner along the way. (\$10)

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 21 **HISTORIC SIGHTSEEING PHILLY** **B, L, D**

7:00am Breakfast at the Hotel

Breakfast and changing rooms will be available this morning upon arrival in Philadelphia.

10:00am Battleship New Jersey

At the Battleship New Jersey Museum and Memorial not only do you see exhibits of artifacts from the ship's past, but you are put into the exhibit as you go through the tour route. Sit in the chair from which Admiral Halsey commanded the fleet. Stretch out on the bunks where the sailors slept. Climb into the 16" gun turret and learn how the projectiles were loaded.

Lunch in the Area

Meal money will be provided for lunch today in the area. (\$10)

1:00pm Historic Philadelphia Tour

Here is where a country was born. The buildings, the taverns, and the cobbled walks used by the Founders of America are, in great number, preserved for all to enjoy. Come and take a walking tour of the Historic District — the most Historic Mile in America.

Independence Hall

Both the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution were created in this World Heritage Site. An historian is available to interpret events and the lives of the diverse population during the years when Philadelphia was the capital of the United States from 1790 to 1800.

3:20pm *GROUP 1*****

70 travelers

3:40pm *GROUP 2*****

22 travelers

4:30pm Hotel Check-in

Once you arrive at your hotel, unload the luggage from underneath your charter coach. One person from each room may get the keys for your room from your Tour Director. After you have given your roommates their room keys, you may proceed to your room. Be sure to take your luggage and all of your personal items off the coach.

Wyndham Philadelphia Historic District
400 Arch Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106
Phone: 267.923.8660

5:30pm Dinner at Dave & Busters

Enjoy dinner and games tonight at Dave & Busters!

9:00pm Curfew

Time to be in your room. Please set your wake-up call for the morning with the Front Desk.

9:30pm Lights Out!

THURSDAY, NOV. 22

THANKSGIVING PARADE DAY

B, L, D

4:30am Wake-up Call (suggested)

Dress in clothing appropriate for today's activities. If performing, don't forget to bring uniform/costume, instrument and everything you'll need for the performance when you depart the hotel.

5:30am Breakfast at the Hotel

Breakfast this morning will be provided at the hotel.

7:00am Hotel Check-out & Load

Check-out of your room by packing everything up and leaving your key card in your room. Load your equipment and luggage onto the motor coaches.

8:15am 6 ABC Thanksgiving Day Parade

This morning, the Braden River High School Marching Band of Pirates will march through the streets of Philadelphia in the 2018 6 ABV Thanksgiving Day Parade!

This celebrated parade kicks off in the downtown area. Over ninety units participate, including talented bands from across the nation, colorful floats, various celebrities and several performing acts. TV cameras catch it all at the Philadelphia Art Museum.

11:00am Transfer to New York City

Following the parade, you will change out of uniform and depart Philadelphia for New York City.

2:30pm Afternoon Thanksgiving Cruise

Board this great entertainment vessel docked on the Hudson River for an afternoon Thanksgiving cruise around Manhattan. Enjoy festive dining, dancing and spectacular views of Manhattan and New York Harbor.

7:00pm Hotel Check-in

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Hilton Hasbrouck Heights
650 Terrace Avenue
Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604
Phone: 201-298-2414

8:00pm Evening Snacks at Hotel

9:30pm Curfew

Time to be in your room. Please set your wake-up call for the morning with the Front Desk.

10:00pm Lights Out!

FRIDAY, NOV. 23

MANHATTAN & BROADWAY SHOW B, L, D

6:00am Wake-up Call (suggested)

Dress in clothing appropriate for today's activities. If performing, don't forget to bring uniform/costume, instrument and everything you'll need for the performance when you depart the hotel.

7:00am Breakfast at the Hotel

Breakfast this morning will be provided at the hotel.

8:00am Depart the Hotel

Board the motor coaches for attendance and depart the hotel for your day in the city!

9:00am Manhattan Sightseeing

Highlights of today's tour will include Central Park, the Upper West Side, Grant's Tomb and Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts.

12:00pm Grand Central Terminal

Constructed of glass, steel and decorative stone, measuring 100 feet wide by 650 feet long, Grand Central Depot rivaled the Eiffel Tower in Paris and the Crystal Palace in London as the most dramatic engineering achievement of the 19th century when it was completed in 1871. Featuring a classical facade, a unified 16,000 square foot waiting room and distinctive ornamentation (cast-iron eagles with 13 foot wingspans, etc.), it was the largest train station in the world, as measured by the number of platforms. Extensive renovations and new construction transformed it in 1913 into Grand Central Terminal, with 67 rail tracks and 44 platforms on two levels (all underground), putting this busy behemoth into a league of its own! Still one of the country's most active transportation hubs, it features great markets, shops and restaurants. Don't miss the famous clock in the waiting room or the terrific painted ceiling above it.

Meal money will be provided for lunch today in Grand Central Terminal. (\$15)

1:30pm Depart Grand Central Terminal

Meet for attendance by the clock and depart Grand Central Terminal for the Metropolitan Museum of Art

2:00pm Metropolitan Museum of Art

Established since 1870, the museum houses more than two million works of art from all over the world, ancient through modern times.

4:30pm Dinner at Dallas BBQ

Smack in the center of Manhattan, this little piece of the Wild West serves up delicious chicken and ribs with all the fixin's! Enjoy a tasty meal that's sure to please.

*****RADIO CITY*****

7:00pm Arrive at Radio City

Upon arrival at Radio City Music Hall tonight, you'll have a chance to use the restroom and purchase snacks or souvenirs as time allows!

7:30pm Radio City Christmas Show

Discover why over 50 million people have chosen to celebrate the holiday season at Radio City Music Hall. Featuring the world-renowned Rockettes, this annual 90-minute show traditionally showcases perennial holiday favorites like the show-stopping "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers" and the majestic "Living Nativity," plus Santa's magical 3-D Sleigh Ride!

*****LION KING*****

7:30pm Arrive at Minskoff Theatre

Upon arrival at the Minskoff Theatre tonight, you'll have a chance to use the restroom and purchase snacks or souvenirs as time allows!

8:00pm The Lion King

Theatergoers are still barnstorming the box office at Disney's smash hit. The Lion King is a visually stunning celebration of modern theatre with captivating music and lyrics by Tim Rice and Elton John. The plot is a classic "coming of age" epic. This musical is the winner of six 1998 Tony Awards including Best New Musical. Running time is 2 hours, 30 minutes, with one intermission.

10:30pm Meet for Attendance

All travelers will meet for attendance outside the Minskoff Theatre and depart Times Square for the hotel.

11:15pm Curfew

Time to be in your room. Please set your wake-up call for the morning with the Front Desk.

11:30pm Lights Out!

SATURDAY, NOV. 24 9/11 MEMORIAL & TIMES SQUARE B, L, D

6:00am Wake-up Call (suggested)

Dress in clothing appropriate for today's activities. If performing, don't forget to bring uniform/costume, instrument and everything you'll need for the performance when you depart the hotel.

7:00am Breakfast at the Hotel

Breakfast this morning will be provided at the hotel.

8:00am Hotel Check-out & Load

Check-out of your room by packing everything up and leaving your key card in your room. Then, load your luggage onto the motor coaches, and prepare for departure.

9:00am Depart the Hotel

Board the motor coaches for attendance and depart the hotel for your last day in the city.

10:00am One World Observatory

Enter One World Trade Center building to ascend by high-tech elevator to the top of the tallest building in the Western Hemisphere (1,776 ft., including the spire), in less than sixty seconds. Next, enjoy a chance to shop, dine or watch a cool video before going up to the 360 degree viewing platform for magnificent views stretching to 50 miles on a clear day. Built on 450 million year old New York bedrock at a cost of over 3.9 billion dollars, the building itself is eco-friendly and contains enough concrete to construct a sidewalk from New York to Chicago (over 700 miles)!

TBD Lunch in the Area

Meal money will be provided for lunch today in the area. (\$15)

1:00pm 9/11 Memorial & Museum

Visit the New York World Trade Center site, destroyed along with nearly 3,000 lives in the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. First, stroll the peaceful grounds of the street-level Memorial, featuring twin pools rimmed in bronze with the names of all attack victims. Then descend through the glassed-in Museum entry, down to original World Trade Center foundation level. View artifacts large and small, listen to oral histories and learn also about the Pentagon attack and the fate of Flight 93, both of which occurred on 9/11.

*****GROUP 1*****

50-pax

*****Group 2*****

50-pax

4:00pm Meet for Attendance

Meet for attendance and depart the 9/11 Memorial & Museum for Times Square.

5:00pm Times Square Shopping

Also known as Midtown Manhattan, Times Square sits along Broadway between 42nd and 47th Streets. It's the gateway to the Theatre District and the part of New York City that every one wants to see. It's fun. It's exciting. It's crowded. Cafes, restaurants, movie theatres, one-of-a-kind shops, and great stores like Hershey's Chocolate and Disney line its streets. Times Square—it's "the" place to be!

7:30pm Dinner at Hard Rock Cafe

Since its 1971 opening in London, Hard Rock Cafe has become a global phenomenon. With over 100 restaurants all over the planet, this popular eatery features great rock memorabilia, music and food in a high-energy setting.

9:00pm Depart the City

Board the motor coaches for attendance and depart New York City for Florida.

SUNDAY, NOV. 25

RETURN TRAVEL DAY

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TBD Breakfast En Route

Meal money will be provided for a fast food breakfast along the way. (\$10)

TBD Lunch En Route

Meal money will be provided for a fast food lunch along the way. (\$10)

7:00pm Arrive at School (Tentative)

Arrive home at Braden River High School after a great trip to Philadelphia & New York City, and an outstanding performance in the 2018 6 ABC Thanksgiving Day Parade in Philadelphia!