

Happy Sunday -

It is hard to believe the first snow of the year is here! Important info below, please read.

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### **Elementary School Tour Cancelled**

As you probably have heard, the scheduled tour of the Brighton elementary schools on November 22nd by the Marching Band has been canceled due to an abundance of caution due to recent increases in Covid cases in the elementary schools. The students have been informed, but we wanted to be sure all of the parents were also made aware.

### **Cheesecake Delivery**

A reminder that the **cheesecakes will be delivered tomorrow, Monday, November 15**. The truck is scheduled to arrive between 2 and 2:30 - which will be challenging because of school dismissal. We will unload and sort as quickly as possible. **We can use a few parents to help organize the cheesecakes**. You may pick up your cheesecakes from **3:00 – 5:00 in the band room**. **All cheesecakes must be picked up tomorrow as they have to be kept frozen**.

### **Thanksgiving Day Parade**

We know everyone is waiting for information about when we will be leaving/returning from the parade. The Parade Company has informed us that we will be told where we are in the parade by the end of this week and when we will be asked to report. The parade itself starts at 9:00 am and is scheduled to end at Noon. It is possible we will be asked to report anytime between 6-8 am. So our departure will be sometime between 5:00 -7:00 am. The return will depend on where we are in the parade. The parade is approximately 3 miles long, so the earliest we would be done is about 10:00 plus an hour drive home (assuming we can get the busses out of the staging area and aren't parked in. The best case for planning is to assume we are at the end of the parade and won't get out until about 12:30 plus an hour drive time. We will let folks know asap where we are in the parade and what the approximate times are.

You can watch from anywhere along the parade route for those of you coming down to the parade. There are some grandstands available for purchase, but it is free to stand on the sidewalk. If you plan to pick up your student from the end of the parade, you may want to position closer to the end of the parade to follow the band to the busses, where we will sign students out to their parents. Please note that it is very difficult to drive close to the staging area, so it's often easiest to meet them and walk to your

car. **You must provide a note to Mrs. Hoffman in advance if you plan to pick up your student from the parade.**

### **Disney Flight Information**

We know that many parents are interested in having the flight info. This message will provide some of your answers.

First, let's clear up some confusion. If you are planning to extend your travel either before or after the Disney dates, then while you can fly on the same planes, you cannot be a part of the Band flight block (because Delta requires you to purchase round trip flights within the block - you cannot fly in the block one way and outside the block on the way back). We have not been able to release the flight lists for who is on what flight because people have continued to change their travel plans which requires us to reconfigure. Also, since one of the flights is significantly more expensive than the other flights - as people opt to travel outside the block, we are releasing the more expensive tickets and moving people to other flights. (Note - everyone will pay the same amount for the trip)

For those of you who want to travel on the same plane as the band, below are the four flights we presently have. Here are the flights: (Note - you do not have to fly on these flights, you can drop off your student at the hotel on the day of arrival if that works best.)

#### **Flight #1**

DELTA #700	Depart DTW 7:00 AM	Arrive MCO 9:40 AM
DELTA #1746	Depart MCO 7:40 PM	Arrive DTW 10:13 PM

#### **Flight #2**

DELTA #2898	Depart DTW 8:30 AM	Arrive MCO 11:11 AM
DELTA #2759	Depart MCO 5:35 PM	Arrive DTW 8:10 PM

#### **Flight #3**

DELTA #2081	Departs DTW 10:25 AM	Arrives MCO 1:03 PM
DELTA #2081	Departs MCO 2:15 PM	Arrives DTW 4:47 PM

#### **Flight #4**

DELTA #1746	Departs DTW 3:50 PM	Arrives MCO 6:30 PM
DELTA #2927	Departs MCO 8:55 PM	Arrives DTW 11:27 PM

We will be staying at the Disney All-Star Music Resort.

We will share information about who is on which flight once we confirm that all families planning to extend their stay have made their decision. All chaperones and their siblings will fly on the same flight as their student.

We will provide additional information as it becomes available.

Have a great day.

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