

AB Band trip to Washington D.C - 2012

Dear AB Band Members and Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

I am sure you have all heard that our Band will be traveling to Washington D.C. in April '12 to participate in the Cherry Blossom Festival Parade! The dates of the trip will be Thursday, April 12, 2012 through Sunday, April 15, 2012. This will give us an opportunity to visit some of our capital's wonderful museums, memorials and historic sites in addition to marching in this very prestigious parade. The parade will take place on Saturday, April 14, 2012.

Plans for our trip are in process. Our travel agent is Suburban Tours whom we have worked very successfully with in the past. Our trip will include:

- Round trip transportation via deluxe charter motorcoach from school
- Bus driver's room and gratuity
- Three (3) nights accommodations at first class hotel in Washington, D.C. area based on four (4) to a room
- All hotel taxes and gratuities
- Three (3) full American breakfasts including tax and gratuity. Note: one breakfast to be at Hard Rock Cafe
- Three (3) complete dinners including tax and gratuity.
- Sight-seeing as planned by the band director
- Assistance in setting up performances at major sites in Washington, D.C.
- Coverage under Student Youth & Travel Association Consumer Protection Plan
- Baggage tags and printed itineraries for each participant
- Assistance of a Suburban Tours tour manager including gratuities

A detailed itinerary will be provided as we near our trip.

The estimated cost at this time is \$475. If the cost of this trip is prohibitive, please send me a note requesting assistance. A plan for assistance will be provided. I will ask that we use the following payment schedule to allow us to make deposits and payments as required by hotels, coaches and other services: **Make all checks payable to ABFOM**

Payment 1	November 1, 2011	\$150
Payment 2	January 6, 2012	\$150
Final Payment	February 15, 2012	balance due

Please sign and return the attached permission slip indicating your sons/daughters plans to participate in our trip. You know where to reach me if you have any questions.

Thank You,

