

Depoali Middle School Jazz Band
Folsom Jazz Festival Trip 2025
January 24-25, 2025

ELIGIBILITY

This trip is for Depoali Jazz Band students and students are expected to attend if they are available – it's going to be a fun trip! All school and district rules will be observed on this trip, including dress code. *To be eligible, students must have no major referrals or suspensions.*

This is **NOT** a family trip. Only WCSD staff and approved chaperones can have contact with students on the trip. Students must be on the trip as listed in the itinerary. The only exception is if a family would like to pick up their child early from the trip. Once students are checked out, they may not re-join the group. **If you plan to pick up your child early, you must complete a WCSD form and have Mrs. Smith sign it prior to the trip. Students may only be signed out by their parents/guardians.**

Students will choose their own groups for the hotel and seats for the bus. For hotel rooms, students must choose students of the same gender. Bus seats can be mixed gender. Please note that we will also be taking a van with a group of students and chaperones. It will be driven by Mrs. Barthel.

CONTACT INFORMATION & LOCATIONS

Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites Folsom, 155 Placerville Rd / Folsom, CA 95630, *Phone:* 916-235-7744
Student Rooms = 4 students, 2 queen beds per room Chaperone Rooms = 2 adults, 2 queen beds per room

Folsom High School: 1655 Iron Point Rd, Folsom, CA 95630

PRE-TRIP EVENTS & ITINERARY (SUBJECT TO CHANGE):

Monday, January 13, 2025

2-5pm After School Jazz Rehearsal (required for all trip attendees)
5:00pm Chaperone Pre-Trip Meeting in Band Room (511)
*(this is right after our after-school Jazz Rehearsal.
The meeting will be done by 6pm)*

Thursday, January 23, 2025

6:30pm Mandatory 45-minute student/parent meeting & luggage drop-off in the cafeteria *(all students attending the trip and at least one parent/guardian must attend)*

TRIP ITINERARY (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Friday, January 24, 2025

2:15pm Load bus/van and Depart Depoali
5:00pm Arrive at Oak Ridge High School for rehearsal
6:45pm Depart Oak Ridge for our hotel
7:00pm Dinner in the hotel lobby (Costco pizza)
7:30pm Swimming & Free time
9:00pm All Students in rooms
10:00pm Lights out and quiet time

Saturday, January 25, 2025

7:00am Wakeup & Breakfast at hotel *(included)*
8:30am Load bus and depart for Folsom High School
9:00am Play in festival (times TBA) and watch other groups
Noon Lunch at the festival (bring your own \$\$)
4:00pm Depart Festival
(dinner stop on the way home – bring your own \$\$)
7:00pm Arrive back at Depoali *(Students will call/text when we are 30 minutes out)*

COST & PAYMENT DUE DATES (you may use fundraising money in your band account to help pay for this trip)

Students: Total Cost = \$150

Payment 1 = **\$75** due by Fri, 12/13/24

Payment 2 = **\$75** due by Wed, 1/15/25

Chaperones: Total Cost = \$75 (see details below)

Chaperone Payment 1 = **\$25** is due by Fri, 12/13/24

Chaperone Payment 2 = **\$50** is due by Wed, 1/15/25

CHAPERONES: Please email Mr. Barthel ASAP if you would like to be a chaperone (if you haven't already). Chaperone space is available on a first come, first served basis according to available bus seating and student/adult ratio requirements. As communicated at the beginning of the year, those planning to chaperone should have fingerprinting complete by the end of November. Please note that chaperones must ride the bus and stay with the group for the entire trip.

COST INCLUDES

- Tour bus and rental van
- Friday Hotel
- Festival Entrance Fees
- Friday Dinner
- Saturday Breakfast at Hotel
- Other costs: hotel security, bus driver hotel, budget safety

NOT INCLUDED

- Lunch on Saturday
 - Dinner on Saturday
 - Souvenirs (\$40 hoodies, \$20 long sleeve t-shirts and more)
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REFUND POLICY: Refunds, minus the hotel deposit (\$25), will be issued for cancellations made in writing by Friday, 1/10/25 at 2pm. Hotel deposits cannot be refunded due to hotel deposit policies and deadlines. Refunds are unlikely if a cancellation is made after January 10 due to non-refundable payment deadlines imposed on Depoali by the hotel, bus company, and the Folsom Jazz Festival.

PACKING **On the bus/festival, in backpack**

LIST: Small pillow/blanket
Comfortable clothes & shoes
Sweatshirt/jacket
Phone, charger, & small battery pack
Bottled (plastic) water & snacks
Homework! and/or book to read

Under the bus, in your SMALL suitcase

Instrument & MUSIC (sticks, mallets, cords, etc)
Band polo shirt – *wear this on festival day*
Black pants
Black socks/shoes
Swimsuit
Toiletries (DEODORANT!!!)
Comfy clothes to change into for ride home

Other Items

At least **\$30 CASH** for food, plus extra for souvenirs
Medications – **NOTE:** ANY medications (prescriptions or OTC) brought on the trip will need a medical consent form signed by a doctor. This form will be sent home in January.

List other items you don't want to forget here:

Trip Rules and Guidelines

REMEMBER, if Mrs. Smith wouldn't approve, don't wear it, say it, or do it.

****ALL SCHOOL & DISTRICT RULES WILL BE OBSERVED ON THIS TRIP!!****

Chaperones

- We have many chaperones on this trip in addition to Mr. Barthel, Mr. Crowther, and Ms. Karl.
- Each student will be assigned a chaperoned group.
- The district has cleared all chaperones to be on an overnight trip with our students. Other adults (relatives or non-cleared parents) are not allowed to interact or be around our groups.

General Expectations

- Follow all Depoali school rules, including dress code.
- Respect others and act with courtesy at all times.
- Rules are in place to ensure that everyone can enjoy the trip for which they paid.
- No public displays of affection.
- When in doubt if something is ok, ask your chaperone or your teacher! But, if you have to ask, it's probably not ok.

Bus Expectations

- All drinks on the bus must be in plastic containers with water-tight, screw-top lids – no glass, cans, or cups.
- **Absolutely NO energy drinks on this trip – NO Monsters, NO Red Bull, etc. Don't bring them. Don't buy them.**
- Your seating choice is a privilege. If at any point you misbehave, you lose that privilege and you will be moved.
- Don't use a product or eat food with a strong smell, it could cause allergic reaction or make people feel sick.
- Keep busses clean!
- Be social! Talk to your seat mate. Limit technology.
- Music/movie/game players must be used with headphones.
- Cell phones in airplane mode while on the bus to conserve battery.
- No balloons on the bus – Don't buy these in the park, they pop on the way home with the elevation change!

Festival Expectations

- Stay with your chaperone at ALL TIMES.
- Be a respectful audience member & act with kindness and courtesy to all other people at the festival.
- You must wear the required music shirt at all times and you may not alter them in any way (cutting out the collar, etc)
- Never go anywhere by yourself and when in doubt check in with your teacher!
- You do not "tell" a chaperone anything, you "ask" your chaperone and make sure you receive a response.
Not: "We're going here." **Instead:** "Can we go here?"

Hotel Expectations

- You are allowed to go in **your room only**.
- Only **one student** may be in the bathroom at a time.
- You may not be in the swimming area unless a chaperone is present & gives you permission.

- Do not make calls from your hotel room phone.
- Other people will be staying in the hotel too. Keep your noise down so they can enjoy their stay.
- Do not leave your hotel room past curfew (call your chaperone/teacher if you have a problem).

Serious Infractions

The following violations will result in the **student being sent home at the parent's expense**:

- Any broken law: possession or use of drugs alcohol or tobacco, theft, vandalism, etc. First the police will be called, then Mrs. Smith, last parents.

Other violations will result in the **student staying by a teacher's side for the remainder of the trip and a referral upon return to school**:

- Being late to a trip meeting time, hotel reporting poor behavior, unsafe behavior, leaving your group, rudeness to a chaperone, etc.
- Hotel violations: leaving your room after curfew, going in anyone else's hotel room

Other points to note (will be expanded upon at the mandatory parent/student meeting)

- **Students choose** their own groups with peers from their music class. For hotel rooms, students must choose students of the same gender. Bus seats can be mixed gender.
 - Student hotel rooms = 4 students of same gender, 2 queen size beds
 - Chaperone hotel rooms = 2 adults same gender, 2 queen size beds. If you're a couple, let us know to reserve a room with a single king bed.
 - Bus partners = 2 students per row. If parent is a chaperone, that student may sit with his/her parent.
- **ANY and ALL medications** brought on the trip will need a medical consent form signed by a doctor. The medical consent form will be sent home in February. This includes but is not limited to:
 - Prescriptions medications, creams, & lotions
 - Over-the-counter medications including motion-sickness relief aids
 - Vitamins
 - Cough drops
- **This is not a family trip.** Students must be on the trip as listed in the itinerary. Friends and/or family members may NOT be around the student group while at the festival or hotel except to say hi and do a quick check in. The only exception would be if a family wants to check their child out early from the trip. Once students are checked out, they may not re-join the group. If you will need to check your child out, you must complete a WCSD form prior to the trip. That form must be signed by Mrs. Smith. Parents can request this form in the Depoali office.