

8th Grade Disneyland Trip 2025 – Updated with Flight Details – updated 2025-04-11

April 30 – May 3, 2025

GENERAL TRIP INFORMATION

Eligibility: See the Trip Registration and Payment Form for eligibility and cancellation policies.

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. Only parents/guardians may pick up students.

Students will choose their own groups with peers from their music class. Band, choir/piano, or orchestra students are not mixed for plane/bus seats, hotel rooms, or chaperone groups. For hotel rooms, students must choose students of the same gender. Chaperone groups can be mixed gender.

CONTACT INFORMATION & LOCATIONS

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 1411 S Manchester Ave, Anaheim, CA 92802, Phone: 714-400-2044

Student Rooms = 6 students, 3 beds per room (one is a sofa bed) *Chaperone Rooms* = 3 adults, 3 beds per room (one is a sofa bed)

Disneyland: Phone: (714) 781-4636

ITINERARY (SUBJECT TO CHANGE):

Monday, April 21, 2025

6:30pm Chaperone Pre-Trip Meeting in Band Room (511)

10:00pm Meet for *World of Color* show
10:45pm Meet in front of stroller rental to head back to hotel
10:30pm Lights out and quiet upon arrival

Tuesday, April 29, 2025

6:30pm Mandatory student/parent meeting
• ALL students and at least one parent must attend this meeting.
• Students must bring the music shirt (blue) & trip shirt (neon green) to this meeting.

Friday, May 2, 2025

All Females: 6:30am, then back to room after eating until 7:10am
All Males: 6:55am, bring all items for the day. No going back to room.
7:10 am EVERYONE meet teacher & chaperone in hotel lobby to walk to CA – take everything you need for the day.
NO ONE will return to the hotel until the end of our scheduled day.
7:20am Begin walk to Disneyland
8:00am Parks open, full group rides *Pirates*
11:59pm Meet in front of stroller rental to walk to hotel
1:00am Lights out and quiet at hotel upon arrival

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

Orchestra: Parents drop off at the Reno airport at 3:30pm.

- Meet Ms. Karl outside at Door A (outside baggage claim).
- Depart RNO 5:10pm Southwest Fl# 2711 to LAS (6:35pm)
- Transfer LAS 7:40pm to Southwest Fl# 3904 to LGB
- Arrive LGB at 8:50pm and shuttle to hotel

Band/Choir: Parents drop off at the Reno airport at 4:00pm.

- Band meet Mr. Barthel outside at Door B (outside baggage claim).
- Choir meet Mr. Crowther outside at Door C (outside baggage claim).
- Depart RNO 6:25pm Southwest Fl# 1983
- Arrive LGB at 7:50pm & shuttle to hotel

9:00pm Pizza dinner in the hotel lobby

10:30pm Lights out and quiet

Saturday, May 3, 2025

Band/Choir:

All Females: 5:45am room checkout, 6:00am breakfast (bring luggage)
All Males: 6:15am room checkout, 6:30am breakfast (bring luggage)

- Load shuttle at 6:25am, shuttle departs hotel at 6:30am
- Depart LBG 9:05am Southwest Fl #2851
- Arrive RNO at 10:25am. Parents pick up from the Reno airport in the same location as drop-off (Band at Door B, Choir at Door C).

ALL Orchestra:

- Room check and checkout 6:45am
- Breakfast 7:00am (bring luggage)
- Load shuttle at 7:25am, shuttle departs hotel at 7:30am
- Depart LGB 10:05am Southwest Fl #2447 to LAS (11:15am)
- Transfer LAS 1:10pm to Southwest Fl #3049 to RNO
- Arrive RNO at 2:50pm. Parents pick up from the Reno airport in same location as drop-off (Door A).

Thursday, May 1, 2025

All Females: 6:30am, then back to room after eating until 7:10am

All Males: 6:55am, bring all items for the day. No going back to room.

7:10 am EVERYONE meet teacher & chaperone in hotel lobby – take everything you need for the day.

NO ONE will return to the hotel until the end of our scheduled day.

7:20am Begin walk to CA Adventure

8:00am Parks open

TBA Clinic for Disney Performing Arts

COST INCLUDES

- Flight: roughly \$265/person
- Wednesday/Thursday/Friday Hotel: \$116/student, \$211/adult chaperone
- Disneyland and California's Great Adventure Park Tickets: 2 Days, \$315
- Performing Arts Tickets (for students only): \$38
- Thursday/Friday/Saturday Breakfast at Hotel
- Wednesday dinner at the hotel
- Airport shuttle & instrument transportation
- Other costs: hotel security, budget safety (\$56)

NOT INCLUDED

- Lunch on Thursday/Friday/Saturday
- Dinner on Wednesday/Thursday/Friday
- Souvenirs
- Churros

REFUND POLICY: Refunds, minus the hotel deposit (\$100), will be issued for cancellations made by March 6, 2025. Hotel deposits cannot be refunded due to hotel deposit policies and deadlines. Refunds are unlikely if a cancellation is made after this date due to non-refundable payment deadlines imposed on Depoali by the hotel, airline, bus company, and/or Disneyland.

PACKING LIST A complete packing will be distributed in class in February and again in April right before the trip.

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!!!****

This is not a family trip. Students must be on the trip as listed in the itinerary. Friends and/or family members may NOT meet students at Disney. The only exception would be if parents want to check out their child early from the trip. Once students are checked out, they may not re-join the group. If you want to check out your child, you must fill out a WCSD form prior to the trip. That form must be signed by Mrs. Smith

School Attendance Expectations

Being able to miss two days of school to attend this trip and have those days coded as "School Business" is a **privilege**. Therefore:

- We expect you to attend school for the full day on Wed, April 30
- We expect you to **REST** on Sat, May 3 and Sun, May 4
- We expect you to attend school for the full day on Mon, May 5

Chaperones

- We have many chaperones on this trip in addition to Mr. Barthel, Mr. Crowther, and Ms. Karl.
- 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

- Rules are in place to ensure that everyone can enjoy the trip.
- Be a good representative of Depoali. Be polite to everyone.
- Follow all Depoali school rules, including dress code.
- Respect others and act with courtesy at all times.
- Never go anywhere by yourself
- No public displays of affection.
- **Absolutely NO energy drinks on this trip – NO Monsters, NO Red Bull, etc. Don't bring them. Don't buy them.**
- All drinks must be in plastic containers with water-tight, screw-top lids – no glass, cans, or cups.
- When on plane or bus, don't use a product or eat food with a strong smell, it could cause allergic reaction or make people feel sick.
- When in doubt if something is ok, ask your chaperone or your teacher! But, if you have to ask, it's probably not ok.
- Stay with your chaperone at ALL TIMES.
- This is an ultra-light packing trip. Only need to bring what is on the packing list. Clear any additional items with your teacher.

Airport/Plane Expectations

- Make wise choices, conduct yourself with maturity, and keep your voices at a level 1. **We do not have control over how airline staff and TSA Security agents will respond to poor choices and behavior.**
- Stay with your park group chaperone at all times in the airport.
- If airport security won't allow an item you are carrying through security, you will need to throw it away.
- Line up to board the plane in the order specified by your teacher.
- We will try to sit toward the back of the plane as a group.
- You will have a plane buddy. Since Southwest has open seating, we cannot control where other people sit. You may not be able to sit right next to your buddy but sit as close as you can. Your seating choice is a privilege. You will be moved if you cannot behave.
- You will find a seat quickly and sit down. **NO** saving seats for a friend. If a passenger who is not on our trip asks to sit by you, your answer is "Yes" because the airline doesn't allow us to save seats. Do not leave middle seats open because other non-trip people will fill them.
- Do not lean your seat back.
- Do not bounce the tray or kick/push the seat in front of you.
- Music players must be used with headphones.
- Cell phones must be in airplane mode at all times on the plane.
- Do not buy lightsabers, balloons, or droids as they are NOT allowed to be brought on the plane (also, lightsabers & droids will cause members of your group to miss park time while you buy these as they take extra time).

Bus Expectations

- Follow all bus rules and expectations.
- Your seating choice is a privilege. You will be moved if you cannot behave.
- Keep busses clean!

Park Expectations

- If park security won't allow an item you are carrying into the park, you will need to throw it away (external speakers, charging bars, instruments, etc.)
- You must wear the required music shirt at all times, and you may not alter them in any way (cutting out the collar, etc)

- You do not "tell" your chaperone anything, you "ask" your chaperone and make sure you receive a response.
Not: "We're going here." **Instead:** "Can we go here?"
- The park your teacher tells you to be in is the park you must be in.
- You may not split or switch groups without **your teacher's** permission. This rarely happens.
- Be mindful with your shopping habits and the impact it has on others in your group. They may want to spend the time on rides and/or they may not have as much money to spend as you.

Hotel Expectations

- You are allowed to go in **your room only**.
- Only **one student** may be in the bathroom at a time.
- No, we do not have time for swimming.
- Do not make calls from your hotel room phone.
- Keep noise down. Other people will be staying in the hotel too.
- Hang up your towels in the bathroom on hooks or hangers.
- Do not leave your hotel room past curfew (call your chaperone or teacher if you have a problem).
- We have a security guard who will be patrolling during the night and will inform the teachers of any problem rooms.

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 meeting)

- **Students choose** their own groups with peers from their music class. Band, choir/piano, or orchestra students are not mixed for plane/bus seats, hotel rooms, or chaperone groups.
- For hotel rooms, students must choose students of the same gender.
 - Student hotel rooms = 6 students of same gender, 3 queen size beds (one is a sofa bed)
 - Chaperone hotel rooms = 3 adults of same gender, 3 queen size beds (one is a sofa bed). Couples can let us know to reserve a room with a single king bed.
- Chaperone Park groups are 4-8 students of mixed gender.
- **ANY and ALL medications** brought on the trip must be approved by the school nurse. This includes but is not limited to:
 - Prescriptions medications, creams, & lotions
 - Over-the-counter medications including motion-sickness relief aids, vitamins, cough drops, etc.

Parents/Guardian Expectations

- **Airport Drop-off/Pick-up Expectations**
 - Drop-off will be on the sidewalk outside baggage claim.
 - Parents drive past all ticketing doors, go under the skywalk at the stop sign, look to the right for the door assigned to your group:
 - **Band** at Door **B** – Mr. Barthel will be here
 - **Choir** at Door **C** – Mr. Crowther will be here
 - **Orchestra** at Door **A** – Ms. Karl will be here
 - On return, students will text before we board, when the plane lands, and again as we are walking outside.
 - Pick up will be at the outside location designated on your child's pick-up ticket. You will hand the ticket to your child's chaperone to verify pick-up. Pick-up tickets will be handed out at our pre-trip meeting (Tuesday evening before the trip).
 - For drop off & pick-up: pull to the side and have student **QUICKLY** exit the car with all luggage so other parents and airport patrons can do the same.
- **Luggage Expectations**
 - Physically check to verify that the blue music shirt and neon green trip shirt are in your student's luggage.
 - Ensure there are no items in your student's luggage that are not allowed through airport security (liquids, etc.).
 - Ensure there are no alcohol, drugs (other than those approved by Depoali Nurse), vapes in your student's luggage or on their person.
 - Ensure there are no items in your student's luggage that are valuable or irreplaceable if lost/stolen while on the trip.