PT Marching Band Peach Bowl Trip

December 28, 2022 – January 1, 2023. Atlanta, Georgia

Required Forms – Due by December 1, 2022

There are **three required forms** that must be submitted by December 1. These should be uploaded via the google form located here: **https://forms.gle/HSk4pfX5yLq9cBAv8.** You may upload forms individually or in one submission. Forms are linked below and can also be found at www.ptmusicboosters.com under Forms & Documents, Trips.

1. **Peach Bowl Trip Permission Form –** a parent must complete and sign this form, scan or photograph it, and upload it via google form.
2. **Overnight Extra Curricular Trip Agreement -** both student and parent must sign this form, scan or photograph it, and upload it via google form.
3. **Overnight Student Trip Medication Form -** have this form completed by your physician for any **prescription** and **over-the-counter** medication that may be required on the trip. Scan or photograph the form and upload it via google form. Also, place a copy of the form in a clear Ziploc bag with the medication to be turned in at trip check-in. If you do not need medication, parent should write NO MEDICATION TO BE GIVEN and sign the form.
4. Optionally, if your student is not riding the coach bus back, you must complete and turn in a Travel Release Form.

Trip Itinerary and Expectations

The full trip itinerary is available on the Music Booster website.

Bus Instructions	● Bus seats are selected by students, and they are to remain in those seats for the duration of the trip. ● At all times, show courtesy, consideration, and respect for others traveling with you. Keep the bus clean of trash and bring it forward to the trash can each time you exit the bus.
Health	● The health and well-being of each and every person is of primary concern to us. ● Bring a water bottle with you most everywhere. Leave it on the bus if not appropriate for select locations.
Medication	● With the exception of Epi-Pens, inhalers, and certain diabetic medication, students may not keep ANY medication with them or in their rooms. All

	medications must be turned in to Mr. Koszarek at departure. This includes **over-the-counter** and **prescription medication**. Please consider buying small bottles of over-the-counter medicines if you are sending them "just in case" (Tylenol, Benadryl, Advil, allergy, etc.) so there is just enough for the trip. ALL MEDICATIONS MUST be in their original containers and placed in a large, clear resealable bag. In addition to the OVERNIGHT STUDENT TRIP MEDICATION FORM SIGNED BY YOUR PHYSICIAN turned in before the trip, a copy of the form MUST be placed in the clear resealable bag with the medications.
Expectations and Student Behavior	● Students are expected to conduct themselves as good representatives of themselves, their family, group, school, and community. ● Full cooperation and courtesy with chaperones, bus drivers and any other adult supervisors is expected and required. ● All rules of conduct as found in the Peters Township High School Handbook are in effect.
Students Must	● BE ON TIME, AT THE RIGHT PLACE FOR EACH SCHEDULED EVENT. ● Report any illness, accident, or infraction as soon as possible to a director or chaperone.
Students May Not	● Leave the group or premises the group is visiting without permission of the director. ● Under NO circumstances is a student allowed to leave the group alone. ● Leave their own hotel room between 11:30 pm and 7:00 am (or times indicated by directors). ● Be in any hotel room other than the one assigned to them. ● Consume or have in their possession any alcoholic beverage or container for any such beverage. ● Have in their possession tobacco in any form, or smoke any substance, or be in possession of <u>any</u> smoking materials. ● Use or be in possession of any illegal drug; or be in possession of any legal drug (prescription or over the counter) *unless* it is registered on the MEDICAL INFORMATION RECORD for this trip. ● Disturb hotel guests at any time. Hotel rules require quiet after 11:00 pm. ● All rules of conduct as found in the Peters Township High School Handbook are in effect.
Consequences	Violation of rules will result in one or more of the following – at the discretion of the district staff. (These are not necessarily in order.) 1. A reprimand. 2. In-school discipline upon return. 3. A telephone consultation with student's parents. 4. The student being sent home at the parents' expense. 5. Not being allowed on future tours.

Safety	● Students will be required to be in groups of 2 or more ● Bring only the amount of money you believe you will use, and always keep your purse/wallet close to you and on the front of your body. ● Don't forget your charger and/or battery extender for your phone At the hotel: ● Students must be with at least one person at all times when going to the lobby, pool, etc. ● Students are not allowed to leave the hotel area for any reason. ● Students only allowed inside their assigned room. There will be a strict curfew and all rooms may be checked at any given time by chaperones. ● Please note that each student will have their own key to their room. Students are responsible for keeping their rooms locked. Students are NOT permitted in each other's room. Neither PTSD nor the PTMB will be responsible for any lost or stolen items.

Suggested Packing List

Please note that this list is not intended to be all-inclusive but used as a guide. In addition to this list, students may wish to bring other items.

Participants may bring **one carry-on-sized luggage piece** and **one personal item** (backpack, tote bag, etc.). The luggage should be no larger than 22 x 14 x 9 inches and will be stored in the compartment below the coach bus. There will be NO ACCESS TO THE LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT DURING THE DRIVE TO/FROM ATLANTA. Therefore, please ensure all items you need while in transit are in your personal bag (chargers, snacks, books, etc.).

The typical temperatures in Atlanta in December range from 50-60 degrees, so while you should not need a winter coat, you probably will still need a light jacket, sweatshirt, etc.

Under Bus	● One carry-on-sized luggage - no larger than 22 x 14 x 9 inches ● Instrument ● Uniform
On Bus	● Carry-on bag (backpack recommended) ● Instrument (if necessary)
Luggage	● Do not over pack! ● All luggage, bags, purses, and instruments are subject to search. ● Add a luggage tag to ALL bags. Mark luggage with something recognizable to spot at pick-up. ● Make room for marching shoes.

Uniforms	• Marching band instrumentalist uniforms will be checked and left at the school on either 12/1 (4:30 – 5 pm) or 12/6 (6:30 – 7 pm). • The pieces to be turned in include your jacket, black bib pants, gauntlets, hat (in hat box), raincoat, and garment bag. • Make sure your name is clearly displayed in garment bag window. • Staff/chaperones will pack the uniforms, which will be loaded under the bus for the trip. • Students are responsible for packing gloves, black socks, theme shirt, and marching band shoes in their luggage.
General Packing Suggestions	• Clothing for three days (casual pants/shirts) • Undergarments/ Socks • Pajamas • Sweatshirt(s)/Jacket • Good Walking Shoes, Flip Flops for Hotel • "Personal" Uniform Pieces (Gloves, Black Socks, Marching Shoes) • Semi-Formal outfit for banquet and Dress Shoes
Toiletries/Bathroom Supplies/Room Supplies	• Shampoo/Conditioner/Body Soap/ Face Soap • Toothbrush/Toothpaste • Razors/Shaving Cream • Brush/comb/curling irons/straightener • Extra contacts/contact solution • Retainers • Makeup • Hand Sanitizer • Hygiene Products/Deodorant
Other Items	• Instruments, extra reeds, etc. - instruments will be packed under the bus • Reusable water bottle • Cell phone/ Chargers • Dirty Laundry bag • Portable Phone Charger: students are required to have a charged phone at all times so that they can check in during the day and adults can get in touch with them • Money (for snacks, souvenirs, breakfasts, extra food)

Daily Recommendations

Wednesday, 12/28 (Travel Day)	● Wear comfortable clothing for the bus ride, but please ensure it's appropriate for pit stops (sweatpants/leggings rather than pajama bottoms, for example). Be sure to have some layers (sweatshirt, jacket, etc.) as the interior bus temperature, and exterior temperatures will fluctuate. ● Bring everything you need during the bus ride in your carry-on/backpack. This includes snacks, phone chargers, battery packs, and any clothing you may want to change into during the drive. Keep any toiletries you may need during transit in your carry-on. There will be no access to the luggage stored under the bus until we arrive at the hotel. ● The bus will minimally have one electrical socket per two seats, so be sure to bring your "brick" as well as a charging cable for devices (if it is a newer bus, there may also be USB charging ports – but do not depend on this as we will not know until the bus arrives). ● Bring headphones for your device! No speakers allowed. ● You may want to bring a small travel pillow/light blanket for sleeping on the bus – try to select something that will fit in your backpack; you need to be able to carry both your carry-on and luggage when we get to the hotel. ● Pack a breakfast/snack to eat en route; our only "meal stop" will be for lunch before arriving in Atlanta. ● When we check in at the hotel (Atlanta Airport Marriott, 4711 Best Road, College Park, GA 30337) you will need to take your luggage, instrument, and uniform into your room. Be sure to hang up your uniform.
Thursday, 12/29 (Rehearsal and Touring)	● Thursday's activities include Jimmy Carter Presidential Library, Massed Band Rehearsal, and the Georgia Aquarium – so there will be a lot of walking indoors and outdoors. ● **Comfortable walking shoes and a jacket/sweatshirt**. ● **You may want a small cinch sack or bag to carry throughout the day.** ● School appropriate apparel ● For the massed band rehearsal at noon, wear **red tie-dye theme t-shirts** and school-appropriate bottoms. ● Food: boxed lunches will be delivered to Library at 11:15, and dinner will be at No Mas! Cantina at 6 PM.
Friday, 12/30 (Touring and Banquet)	● Friday's activities include MLK Historic Park, Centennial Olympic Park, and Word of Coca-Cola. Lots of walking – comfortable shoes and possibly a rain jacket. ● For the National Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl Awards Banquet & Ceremony in the evening, we will change into **semi-formal attire** (no denim or tennis shoes). What students wear to our marching band banquet is appropriate.

Saturday, 12/31 (Fanfest/Game)	● When we check out of the hotel in the morning and load the coach bus, make sure you have any items you need for the drive home in your carry-on bag. You will not have access to your luggage under the bus until we arrive back at PTHS. ● Parade/Fanfest - bring layered clothing to wear under your uniform in case it is cold; your **red tie-dye theme t-shirt should be the top piece to be worn under your uniform**. ● Game - wear theme t-shirt or black Peach Bowl trip sweatshirt (we will change out of uniforms and store them back under the bus after the parade/Fanfest performances). ● The game is scheduled to be televised on ESPN and will start at 8 pm, so our departure time is estimated to be 11 PM. ● **Bag Policy** – it will be easiest to NOT bring a bag into the stadium, however if you do need a bag, make sure it adheres to the bag policy which you can find here: https://mercedesbenzstadium.com/a-to-z-guide/. ● Students will be responsible for paying for dinner at the concessions during the game, but the food at the stadium is quite good/affordable. You can see Mercedes Benz Stadium food information here: https://mercedesbenzstadium.com/food-beverage. Also, please note that the **stadium is a cashless venue**.

Mercedes Benz Stadium

Bands, Parents and Fans enter through **Gate 1** Seats are located in upper level three, above camera views. Elevators are available near gate 1

Parade Route Information

The parade route starts at Peachtree and Baker, then turns right onto John Portman, then left on Centennial Olympic Park and then right on Andrew Young International. The judging zone is at the very beginning, on the steps of the Peach Tree Center Mall - White Oak Kitchen.

An ideal location for viewing is near Centennial Olympic Park by the CNN Center.

FanFest

Georgia World Congress Center
285 Andrew Young International Blvd NW Atlanta, Georgia 30313

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December 31, 2022

FanFest is the ultimate pregame family activity! Get ready for the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl FanFest. For kids and kids at heart, this serves as the ultimate pre-game destination for every fan. Serving up food, interactive games, entertainment, official limited-edition merchandise, giveaways and more, FanFest is the ideal opening act before you head to Mercedes-Benz Stadium for kickoff. You won't want to miss this giant indoor pep rally. This is a cash-less event.

Instrument Storage: There will be room (C 104 - C106) for you to store your instruments at FanFest. We have a designated number of rooms to do so, but not enough for each band to have a room to themselves. Please be mindful that others will be utilizing the space as well. You are welcome to leave your uniform tops or jackets in this area. Some bands like to dress down to half uniform for FanFest. Security is not available to watch your instruments or uniforms. We recommend you assign a parent or two to take shifts watching your items.

Departure from FanFest to the Mercedes Benz Stadium: The day of rehearsal there will be a walk-through showing one person from your group how to get from FanFest to the Mercedes Benz Stadium. Due to the type of tickets/credentials given to the participants, your entire group MUST enterFanFesttogether.Yourticketsmustonlybeusedat**Gate1**oftheMercedesBenzStadium. It is recommended that your group of fans enter together.

At 4:30 PM please have your group gather together inside FanFest. Please be prepared for the Pre-game show performance in full uniform with instruments in hand. There will be no additional time to go back to the bus for any items.

At 4:45 PM we will Move to staging. Details will be provided at the Directors Reception. It is recommendedfor **Your ENTIREgrouptomustentertogether. Thisallowsclear communications for your exit time and strategy. Plan to enter through Gate 1.**

If, while you are departing FanFest to the Mercedes Benz Stadium, be careful to not get separated from the rest of the groups by the "running of the teams" fall in behind the last team. This information will be covered in the Directors Reception.

Entering the Stadium: When coming from FanFest, each person, including the performers will have to go through the security check. Have all medical bags and other items ready to be inspected before going through security**. Please check the bag policy** in this document for any questions. *An itemized list of contents will expedite this process*

Please make arrangements for your students to have all necessities (money, phone, etc....) for availability after the performance. *Accessibility to busses will be restricted.*

Leaving the Stadium: We recommend not leaving the stadium until you are ready to depart. ***Please remember, when you leave to go to your buses you should have your full group present. Security will open the access path for your groups to exit.***

Seating Area: It is recommended, since this is a play-off year, that you bring a change of clothes, for comfort's sake. Change into them after the mass band performance inside FanFest. Store your instruments and uniforms on the bus, then enjoy your seats as a spectator.

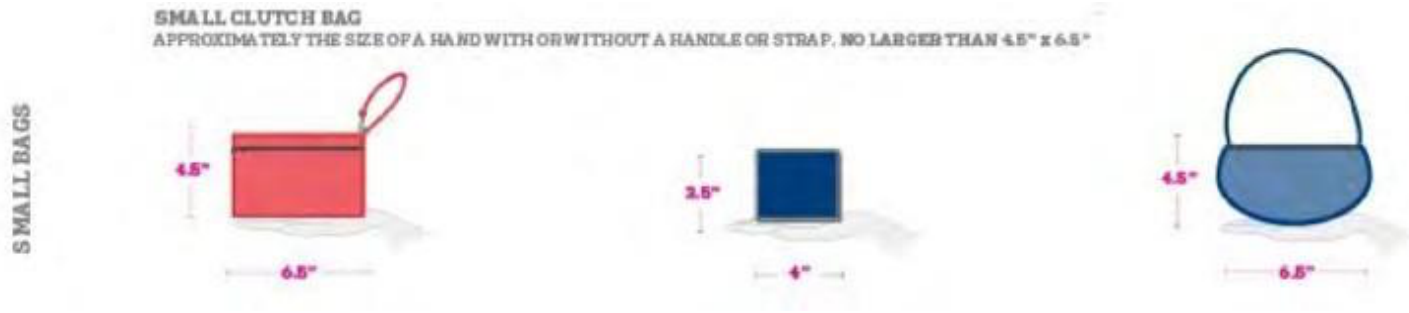
CLEAR BAG POLICY

Fans will be able to carry the following style and size bag, package, or container at stadium plaza areas, stadium gates, or when approaching queue lines of fans awaiting entry into the stadium:

• Bags that are clear plastic, vinyl or PVC and do not exceed 12” x 6” x 12.”

• One-gallon clear plastic freezer bag (Ziploc bag or similar)

• Small clutch bags, no larger than 4.5 x 6.5, with or without a handle or strap can be taken into the stadium with one of the clear plastic bag options.



- An exception will be made for medically necessary items after proper inspection at a gate designated for this purpose. Please include a list of the bag's content.
- Fans will continue to be able to carry items allowed into the stadium in a permissible clear bag, such as binoculars and cameras.
- Fans may check their bags at several Bag Valet stands located around the stadium at a cost of $5 per bag.