

CHICAGO 2020 SUMMER UPDATE

Harvey Band Families-

Our travel agent has informed us that they do not advise for us to travel to Chicago this summer. Chicago is in a different phase of the re-opening process and, consequently, we would not be able to go to all of the venues we had scheduled and paid. Additionally, we have to take into consideration the reason that the venues and vendors have not felt that it was safe to re-open. Your safety comes before anything else so we are taking the advice of our travel agent and the warning signs from Chicago. What this means is that we will not be able to travel to Chicago this summer. This may be upsetting news to you, but this matter is out of our control at this point.

The next concern that needs to be addressed is money. High School band programs all over the state have been presented with this situation and have had to make decisions as refunds are based on the policy of each location visited. Some programs have received little money back, and some have received more depending on their destination. Our travel agent has come up with the way to ensure that we have the largest amount of our investment returned:

- Trip will be re-scheduled to Spring 2021
- Current 9th-11th grade students will have their current money held and applied to the re-scheduled trip
- Current 12th grade students will be refunded 75% of what they have paid towards their trips

We want it to be clear that this is the best possible scenario that could be achieved. We are deeply saddened that we were unable to travel with the current senior class. We hope that the memories of Cincinnati, Disney, Hershey, and all of our time spent together will last a lifetime. We wish you the best in your future endeavors. Current 9th-11th grade students, we are looking forward to our re-scheduled trip this year.

Lastly: Remember the good times, be strong during tough times, love always laugh often, live honestly, and be thankful for each new day.

Sincerely,



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