October 6, 2016

Dear Band Parents;

The CNUSD Board of Education has APPROVED our jazz bands trip to Chicago! This will be an exciting trip that, we are sure, will be remembered for a lifetime. The three jazz bands will be leaving the morning of Thursday, April 6 and returning Sunday, April 9. We will be touring one of the most exciting cities in America! Please review the attached itinerary for a more detailed schedule of the trip.

As with any trip, there are costs, deadlines, etc. Our total cost is obviously determined by the number of students that are going on the trip. **The cost per student is $1250.00**. This price includes the following: roundtrip airfare to Chicago, touring coach, tour guides, hotel, breakfast and dinner each day, DJ/dance dinner cruise, multiple performances including the Dixie Jazz Classic Festival, "The Blue Man Group" performance followed by a clinic by their performers as well as entrance fees to the many museums and attractions in Chicago.

We have a quick financial deadline to meet to secure plane tickets. It is necessary for each student going ***to make a deposit of $300.00 on or before October 21, 2016*** to secure our flight. Please make checks out to the Santiago Band Boosters and have your son or daughter turn this in at class time no later than October 21st. Please note the payment schedule and amount below. Please understand that this is an optional trip and your booster sponsorship must be paid/current before a student or chaperone commitment can be made. Any payments made must be submitted on or before the dates listed. You may pay the total amount immediately if you desire.

It is important that parents and students understand that due to policies of the many companies that we are using for this trip, students who commit to the trip are responsible for the TOTAL AMOUNT. NO REFUNDS will be given to those who sign up to go and no person can drop out of the trip. The band is financially responsible to the many companies to pay the total amount for each person attending the trip. A commitment sheet has been attached. Please sign and date it and have your son/daughter return it with the first payment.

Parents who would like to chaperone may be allowed to join the trip based on availability of space. Please let us know ASAP if you are interested in chaperoning by emailing us at *kparish@cnusd.k12.ca.us*. We will send out an email of those who will be chaperoning so you may request roommates if available. **The cost of the trip for chaperones is as follows:**

(Please understand that we may not have the numbers to accommodate all of the following scenarios beyond one person)

One person to a room – $1575.00/person
Two people to a room - $1425.00/person
Three people to a room - $1375.00/person
Four people to a room - $1325.00/person

Chaperones - please make the same $300.00 initial deposit as the students. The remaining payments may be made on the same schedule as the students with the amount determined by the rooming situation.

Our first payment, again, is $300.00 and is due on October 21st, allowing us to secure plane tickets. Our schedule for payments is: (student prices)

October 21- $300.00

November 16- $300.00

January 18 - $300.00

February 15 - $350.00

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the trip, money, etc. please call us at 739-5600, x2110 between 1:00-3:00 PM, Monday through Friday, or Santiago Band Booster treasurers, Kevin Valentine (kevinlvalentine@att.net) or Rose Salgado (rosesalgado@sbcglobal.net).

Sincerely,

Mr. Parish & Mr. Dudek

Please sign, date and have your son/daughter return by October 21st

We, the parent and the student, understand that we will be responsible for the total cost ($1250.00) of the trip to Chicago and will make all payments on or before the stated deadlines. We have included the $300.00 deposit with this form.

Student Name (Print) _____

_____ _____
Student Signature Date

_____ _____
Parent Signature Date

[ ] **NO** - My son/daughter will **NOT** be participating in the Chicago trip.

_____ _____ _____
Print Student Name Student Signature Date

_____ _____ _____
Print Parent Name Parent Signature Date

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[ ] YES - I am interested in being a chaperone on the trip to Chicago (please complete below).

Chaperone #1 Name:_____Relationship to student:_____

Contact email address: _____

Chaperone #2 Name:_____Relationship to student:_____

Contact email address: _____

Basic Itinerary *(Subject to Change)*

Thursday, April 6	Early Morning - Depart Santiago High School for either LAX or Ontario Airport Depart Airport to Chicago Arrive in Chicago Water Tower Place Magnificent Mile Dinner at Andy's Jazz Club 360 Chicago The Tilt
Friday, April 7	Museum of Science and Industry Performance Field Museum of Natural History Group dinner at Girdano's World Famous Stuffed Pizza Blue Man Group Show Blue Man Group Post-Show
Saturday, April 8	Dixie Jazz Classic Festival Performance Millennium Park Navy Pier DJ and Dinner Dance Cruise along Lake Michigan
Sunday, April 9	Breakfast at Hotel Depart for Airport Arrive Home in Southern California!

This itinerary reflects the basic activities on this trip. Other activities will be added as time permits.

ALL students will be placed in groups and chaperoned by an adult when touring.