

**Robinson Band & Orchestra 2010 Spring Trip – Myrtle Beach!**  
**Departing Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 5:30 am & returning Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup> @ approx 7 pm.**  
**Final Instructions for Parents & Students**

1. **Students**, you may want to take your shower and pack your travel items Wednesday evening, to include breakfast foods, snacks, drinks, luggage, carry-on bag, uniform, instrument, etc. Bring a folding music stand if you have one. If you wear contacts, bring back-up glasses just in case. Before you pack, log on to [www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com) for zip code 29577 and click on the weekend forecast. Dress accordingly for Thursday, and pack accordingly for Friday through Sunday. Be sure to have sturdy walking shoes for outdoor activities. **NO flip flops or sandals at NASCAR!** A ball cap, or something similar, is also a good idea. When packing, be optimistic ~ bring sunscreen! And keep in mind that it is not fun to be wet or cold or sunburned...

2. **Report time** for all students is Thursday at 4:30 am. **YES, 4:30 AM!** Set as many alarms as you need to ensure that you get out of bed. Be on time! **Chaperones**, please report to the middle school band room at **4:00 am** in preparation for student arrivals.

3. **Parents, please do not enter the back parking lot with your vehicle.** Use the access road when dropping off students. Buses will need access to the parking lot and plenty of room to maneuver when they arrive, and there will be hundreds of students on site. **Chaperones**, please park in the parking lot nearest to the trailers. Make a sign for your dash board: **BAND & ORCHESTRA SPRING TRIP CHAPERONE**  
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4. **Students** should leave all luggage, including carry-on items, uniform bag, and coolers on the sidewalk closest to the school, weather permitting. **Do not load any luggage or personal items either on or under the bus upon arrival.** You will be instructed when it is time to begin the loading process.

5. **Uniform check!** Please triple check that all concert uniform items are with you, to include: **boys**, jacket / pants / cummerbund / bow tie / tuxedo shirt / black socks / black shoes, and **girls**, concert dress / hose / black shoes. **Important:** Please pack shoes in luggage; NOT in or hanging from the uniform bag!

6. **Medications** may be dropped off on either Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:45 to 8:15 pm in the staff lunch room in the Robinson music wing. There will be signs and/or persons posted to direct you to this location. **Important:** due to the extremely early report time for this trip, **NO MEDICATIONS OR FORMS will be accepted on Thursday morning.** Meds **must** be dropped off at the above appointed times.

7. **Backpacks or small carry-ons** should be used to hold all required items for the bus ride to Myrtle Beach. Recommended carry-on items include: contact lenses & supplies, sunglasses, cameras, pillow, blanket, and DVDs rated PG-13 or cleaner. Students are encouraged to share a **small cooler** between “bus buddies” for food & beverage items. Please coordinate with your seatmate for storage of breakfast, snacks, and beverages.

8. **The weather in Myrtle Beach** this time of year is typically 75 - 80° during the day and 50 - 60° at night, although that can vary greatly. **Again, www.weather.com zip code 29577 for the forecast!!!**

9. **Students will need cash for the following:** Saturday dinner at Broadway at the Beach, plus extra for souvenirs, incidentals, vending machines, etc. All other meals and admissions are included in the trip fee. Recommended amount is certainly no more than \$20 per day; use your best judgment.

10. **If you have any questions regarding any of the above**, please feel free to contact the trip coordinator, Pat McMahan, at 703-426-2974 or [rbopovp@aol.com](mailto:rbopovp@aol.com). All messages and e-mails will be promptly returned.

**Let's go to Myrtle Beach! View trip photos at <http://www.robinsonband.org/photos.html>.**