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Jazz Band Update

*New Orleans trip is still happening. I will sign the agreement with the tour company and we are excited to represent our school and community there. There are 9 chaperones going (listed by student's last name): Moore (girl group), Mrs. Solis (girl group), Mr. Solis (boy group), Villacampa (boy group), Williamson-Brown (girl group), Newman (boy group), Wexler (girl group), Mr. and Mrs. Nelson. Please make sure to get your payments in on time as I have deadlines to the tour company. Because our overall number of people went down, the cost per person went up by \$50. So, it is actually costing us \$650 per person instead of \$600. I am not asking you to pay the extra \$50. I put in for 2 grants from businesses and their donation will cover the difference.

***NOT GOOD NEWS!!!**--- and this is a BIG change to our calendar this year. Our Dec 12th performance at Universal Studios Citywalk is not happening. There were too many issues with them on scheduling and the Citywalk stage is being used for something else that day. So, they wanted to move us to a stage inside of Universal Studios. The problem with this is that no parents/families/friends can hear us since we are inside the park and they would need to purchase a ticket--- this is not acceptable to me. Note: The Concert Band performance in May is still ok and no issues with that. ☺

***MORE NOT GOOD NEWS!!!**--- The April 9th concert at Disney is also not happening!!! Here's the deal: they cannot assign us a performance time until 30 days before the performance date. Plus, due to major construction near Downtown Disney at that time, our performance would be inside of Epcot. Again, the problem with this is that no parents/families/friends can hear us since we are inside the park and they would need to purchase a ticket--- this is not acceptable to me.

***GREAT NEWS!!!** ---I spoke to the Disney Guy who schedules all the performances. I asked if we can do a Holiday Concert at Disney (instead of us going to Universal Studios), and he said YES! But, the date will be Dec. 5th NOT the 12th. He also promised us that we can perform around lunch time at Downtown Disney where it is free and open to the public- yay!!! After we perform, we can go into one of the Disney parks. Don't forget, if you want to be a chaperone to Disney it is \$80- which includes charter bus and ticket into park.

→So, let's review: No Jazz Band performance on Dec. 12th at Universal Studios Citywalk and no Jazz Band performance on April 9th at Disney. BUT! There is a Jazz Band performance on Dec. 5th at Downtown Disney and then we go into the park. ☺ FYI- Both trips were included in your \$150 Jazz Band fee. But, since we will need to hire the charter bus and driver for a longer time on Dec 5th, what would have been the cost for Universal Studios will now pay for that extra fee for the charter bus/driver and a required parking fee at Disney. The good news is, we can stay longer than 4 hours at the Disney park and the kids can enjoy the park longer than previous years when we went to Universal Studios.

*****Here's what I need from you---- please fill out the bottom, sign and return to me by Monday.**

Student Name _____

Parent Signature that you read this letter _____

Are you ok with this change of date to Dec 5th? YES NO