

# **Reynolds Secondary School Green Band**

## **Rocky Mountain Tour 2018 – Travel Information**

### **1. Packing List:**

As we get closer to the Band Tour, please take a few moments to review some of the suggestions for packing:

- Care Card:
- Instrument and Music
- Warm clothes, jeans, hoodies, t-shirts, underthings
- Toiletries
- Good walking/running shoes, socks
- Your Green Band Uniform (Green sweater, white pants, white dress shirt, blue tie). Yes Grade 11s and 12s – this means you too. 😊**
- WHITE BAND SHOES & LONG WHITE SOCKS to go with your uniform. THIS IS AN ABSOLUTE MUST.**
- Bathing Suit (Hotel pools and Water Park at West-Edmonton Mall)
- Healthy snacks for the bus ride
- Any medication that you require
- Books, games, DVDs for the bus etc. (You may bring cameras, iPods, electronics, etc. if you would like **BUT YOU DO SO AT YOUR OWN OWN RISK. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEM.** Chaperones will not carry your electronics and there is no storage “spot” for them if we are getting on and off the bus multiple times in a day.)
- Your homework

### **2. Travel Insurance:**

The tour cost does not include travel insurance for your student. This is left up to individual families to decide upon. Insurance is quite *inexpensive* and can be arranged through your own bank or through BCAA. BC Medical is fine and accepted in the province of Alberta.

### **3. Money:**

The fees paid for the band tour include the following: all transportation (ferries and busses), fuel charges, hotel accommodations, entrance fees to all attractions, clinician fees/honorariums, all breakfasts (except for breakfast on Monday, April 16th), and bus driver wages.

Meal costs can be reduced by bringing snacks on the bus, and a bagged lunch for day one.

Extra spending money for meals, shopping etc. is entirely up to parents and their student.

#### **4. Healthy Travel**

Do not forget to take care of yourselves over the course of the 6 days that we are away. **A steady diet of candy, junk food, pop, fast food etc. and little sleep is the best way to get sick on tour!** Students that become seriously ill (the flu from being run down etc.) will be flown back home to Victoria at parents' expense if not covered by insurance.

Take care of yourself and each other! Make good, healthy choices, and make sure you are rested!

#### **5. Important Meeting:**

**All students, and at least one parent, traveling to Alberta MUST attend the MANDATORY TOUR MEETING on THURSDAY, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Theatre.**

#### **6. Uniforms:**

Students will be performing and it is important that their uniforms be clean and pressed. Shoes should be white with no markings, clean and don't forget long white socks. Students must have a man's white dress shirt.

#### **7. Chaperones:**

As always, I am pleased to welcome parent chaperones on the trip. Accompanying myself, Katy Kerr, Marilyn Miller, and Bobbi Renton will be parents Neala St. Hilaire and Cheryl McKinnon.

#### **8. Group Travel:**

Over the years, the Reynolds bands have established an excellent reputation for performance and conduct on tour. There will be 73 students traveling on this tour and so flexibility and patience will be required. Successful tours incorporate the motto, "**Group first, self second**", with all participants working together to make possible the best team travel experience.

#### **9. Facebook Updates and Photos:**

Join the band's Facebook page by searching for "Reynolds Secondary School Band Program" – we will be posting updates and photos on here! Check it out!

#### **10. Contact Numbers:**

In case of an emergency, please contact the school at 250-479-1696, or Tracy Laramée (250-888-4420) if the school is closed.

**Thank you! Have a great trip!**

**Jamie Davis  
Band Director**