

# SHS Music New York City Trip

April 25-30, 2018

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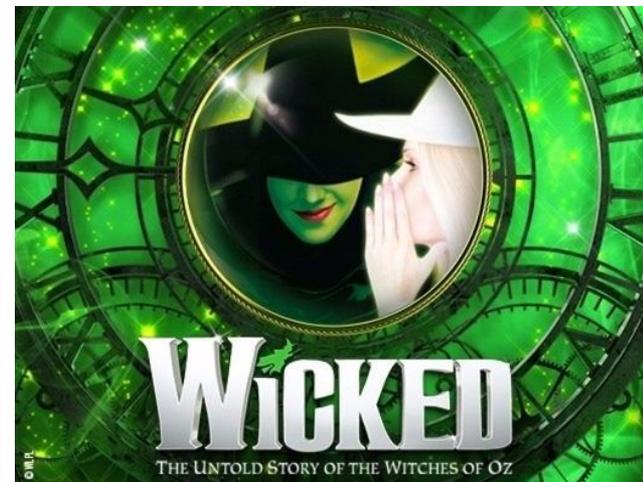
# April 25, 2018 (Day 1)

- 7:00am Group meets at YYC - West Jet USA.
- 9:55am Leave Calgary on WestJet 1680
- 4:29pm Arrive in New York at JFK airport
- 5:00pm Transfer to hotel by private coach.
- 7:00pm Head to Times Square for dinner and tourism.
- 10:00pm Return to hotel.
- 11:00pm Lights out.



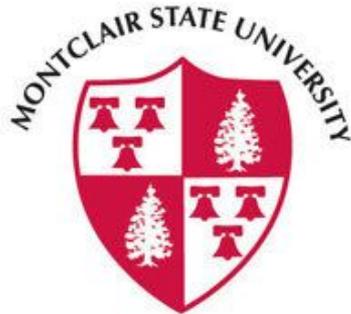
# April 26, 2018 (Day 2)

- 7:30am Wake up and breakfast at hotel.
- 8:45am Guided Coach Tour of Manhattan.
- 12:00pm Lunch at Grand Central Station.
- 1:15pm Group will be dropped off at Carroll Music.
- 1:30 pm Broadway Classroom Instrumental Workshop.
- 3:45pm Transfer back to hotel.
- 5:00pm Meet in the lobby and depart hotel for dinner.
- 5:15pm Dinner at Dallas BBQ.
- 6:15pm Walk to Gershwin Theatre.
- 7:00pm See Wicked.
- 9:45pm Walk back to the hotel.
- 10:30pm Lights out.



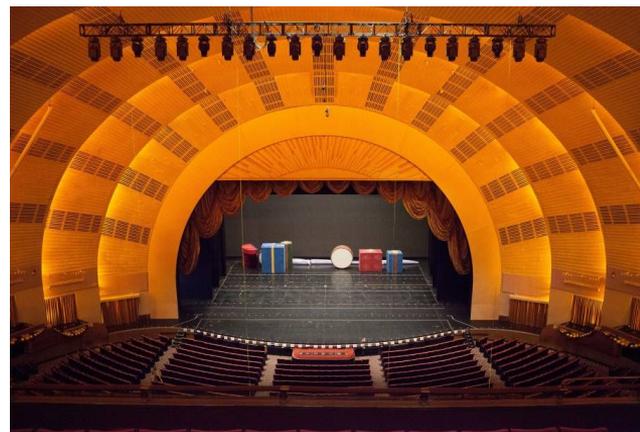
# April 27, 2018 (Day 3)

- 6:00am Wake up and breakfast at hotel.
- 7:15am Load coach and depart for Montclair State University.
- 9:00am Concert Band workshop with Dr Shelley Axelson McCauley.
- 10:30am Load coach and grab a quick lunch on campus.
- 12:00pm Meet back at the coach and depart for School 17.
- 1:00pm Performance for students at School 17.
- 2:30pm Depart school for hotel.
- 4:00pm Unload coach and relax at the hotel.
- 7:15pm Meet in the lobby and depart hotel for dinner.
- 7:30pm Dinner at Hard Rock Café.
- 9:00pm Leave for hotel.
- 10:30pm Lights out.



# April 28, 2018 (Day 4)

- 7:15am Wake up and breakfast at hotel.  
8:30am Meet in the lobby and depart to the Metropolitan Museum of Art.  
9:30am Self guided tour of the Metropolitan Museum of Art.  
12:00pm Grab a quick lunch at the Museum's cafeteria.  
12:45pm Walk down Fifth Ave to Radio City Music Hall.  
2:00pm Guided Tour of Radio City Music Hall.  
3:15pm Return to hotel by foot.  
4:45pm Meet in the lobby and walk over to Five Guys for dinner.  
6:00pm Return to hotel to change.  
6:30pm Meet in lobby and depart by subway to Lincoln Center.  
8:00pm New York Philharmonic Concert.  
10:00pm Return to hotel.  
11:00pm Lights out.



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# April 29, 2018 (Day 5)

- 7:45am Wake up and breakfast at hotel.
- 9:00am Meet in the lobby for a guided walking tour of Lower Manhattan.
- 1:00pm Lunch in Lower Manhattan.
- 2:00pm Take the subway to the free ferry to Staten Island and back.
- 4:30pm Subway back for shopping and dinner at Greenwich Village.
- 7:15pm Meet and walk to Village Vanguard.
- 8:30pm Jazz show at Village Vanguard.
- 10:00pm Take the subway back to hotel and pack.
- 11:00pm Lights out.



# April 30, 2018 (Day 6)

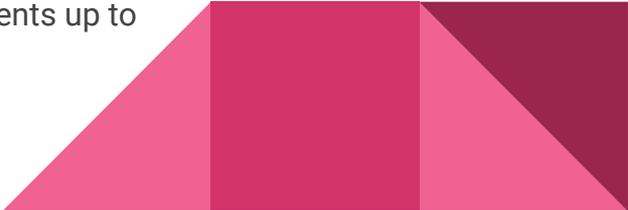
- 6:30am Wake up and breakfast at hotel.
- 7:45am Check out and store luggage.
- 8:00am Depart hotel and walk to Top of the Rock.
- 11:30am Grab lunch near Rockefeller Centre.
- 12:45pm Meet and return to hotel to collect luggage.
- 1:45pm Load coach and depart for JFK Airport.
- 5:25pm Depart New York on WestJet 1681.
- 8:50pm Arrive in Calgary. Clear customs.
- 9:45pm Pick up from YYC by parents. Meet by luggage carousels.



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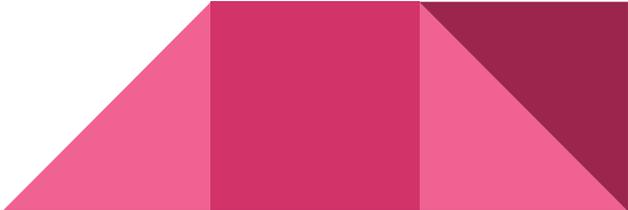
# Tour Includes:

- Airfare from Calgary to New York return including taxes
  - \$50.00 per person total luggage allowance (1 piece standard luggage each direction)
  - 5 nights Hotel Accommodation (students sharing 4 to a room, chaperones sharing 2 to a room)
  - Daily breakfasts
  - Coach transportation per the above itinerary
  - 1 x single day subway ticket (\$10 US value)
  - 1 Broadway concert band workshop and 1 workshop at Montclair State University
  - 1 performance
  - Guided city tour and guided walking tour of Lower Manhattan
  - Gratuities for tour guides and coach drivers
  - 1 Broadway Musical and NY Philharmonic performance
  - Jazz Club admission and \$10 US soft drink credit
  - 2 Group dinners
  - Entrance into Metropolitan Museum of Art, Tour of Radio City Music Hall, Entrance into Top of the Rock
  - Out of Province Emergency Medical Insurance (coverage for all Canadian residents up to age 59 who have valid provincial health coverage)
  - Taxes and service charges
  - Services of Affinity Group Tours
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# Not included:

- Expenses of a personal nature
- Calgary airport transfers.
- Passport and/or Visa fees
- Meals other than breakfast and 2 included dinners
- Optional tours, activities and excursions
- Upgrade to Student Youth Insurance Package includes: Emergency out of Province Medical, Trip Cancellation, Trip Interruption, Flight & Travel Accident and Baggage Insurance (based on a minimum of 10 purchasing the cost is \$110.00 CAD Per person)
- Baggage fees/charges which may be levied by the airline for excess or oversize baggage/instruments

**Important: All participants must be in possession of a valid Passport and any relevant VISAs to enter the United States. It will be the individual's responsibility to ensure they have the correct documentation to enter the US and to re-enter Canada following the tour.**



# General Info for the Trip:

**Bring US money with you, it is always more expensive to convert currency upon arrival. NO CANADIAN.**

**HOTEL:** Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the hotel.

**Phones:** Phones will be turned off in student rooms. Students should purchase phone card or make calls from the pay phones in the lobby or use their cell phone.

*Note: Roaming and long distance charges can be very high. Please check with your cell phone provider before your trip or consider purchasing a phone in the US or using prepaid phone cards.*

## **SAFETY**

*Please leave jewellery and other valuables at home. Mr. Allsopp will be storing passports in the hotel safe.*

*Each hotel room has a safe. Students should be responsible for holding their own cash and debit/credit cards.*

We recommend using a money pouch which should be waterproof.

Tour includes breakfast daily, 2 dinners - no lunches or snacks. Budget \$150 US for meals (approx. \$15 for lunches x \$20 for dinners) plus money for snacks and bring an empty water bottle which can be filled as needed.

Date	Meals
<b>Wed Apr 25</b>	Purchase snacks/lunch on plane/in airport Purchase dinner at Times Square
<b>Thur Apr 26</b>	Purchase lunch at Grand Central Station Dinner included (Dallas BBQ)
<b>Fri Apr 27</b>	Purchase lunch at Montclair St. University Dinner included (Hard Rock Café)
<b>Sat Apr 28</b>	Purchase lunch at Met Museum Cafeteria Purchase dinner at Five Guys
<b>Sun Apr 29</b>	Purchase lunch in Lower Manhattan Purchase dinner in Greenwich Village
<b>Mon Apr 30</b>	Purchase lunch near Rockefeller Centre Purchase snacks/dinner on plane/in airport

# What to Wear:

**There will be a lot of walking on this trip.** Please ensure you have comfortable shoes and break in your footwear BEFORE taking them on the trip - your feet will thank you!

Average weather in New York towards the end of April is highs of between 15-22 degrees Celsius, and lows around 5-10 degrees Celsius. A mix of spring clothing, including a rain jacket is highly recommended!

In general, students should wear comfortable everyday clothing that is weather appropriate, with the exception of the evenings where we attend performances. For the New York Philharmonic concert, please wear “nice clothing” (Dress pants or khakis, polo or button up shirts, blouses or sun dresses, etc), while for the Broadway Musical and Village Vanguard wear “smart casual” (no sweat pants, shorts, or t-shirts, jeans are okay, as are polos and other equivalent clothing).

For these evenings (excluding the jazz club), students will be given the opportunity to change before we depart for the evening activities. Students will be given some more leeway regarding clothing for Village Vanguard as it will be at the end of a day that includes a walking tour. Wear weather and activity appropriate clothing, while also being aware that the East Coast tends to dress more formally than we do.

**Performance dress for Day 3:** Tour t-shirt and dark pants (weather dependant).

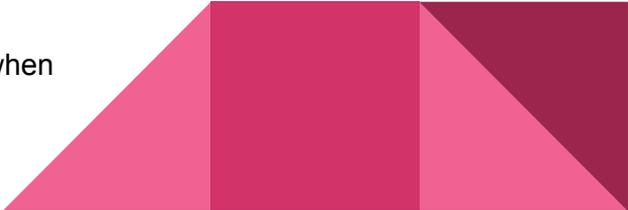
Wearing school related clothing (SHS Music hoodies, Fine Arts jackets, SHS hoodies, etc) for day-to-day activity is always recommended!



# NYC Suggested Packing List

- Good supportive shoes for walking.
- Comfortable and weather-appropriate clothing for six days and potentially multiple weather types.
- Pocket money for meals (approx. \$150 US), plus any other money for souvenirs/shopping (your discretion).
- Nice clothing for New York Philharmonic Concert, and smart casual for the Broadway Musical and for Village Vanguard.
- Tour t-shirt and dark pants.
- School related clothing.
  
- Instrument.
- Sheet Music.
- Extra supplies (reeds, valve oil, mutes, sticks and mallets, etc).
  
- Passport.
- VISA (if needed).
- Copy of your Alberta Health Care Card or your Alberta Health Number.

\*For Trumpets and Baritones, it is suggested that you take the valves out of your instrument when travelling to avoid a pressure build up within the instrument during take-off and landing.\*



# Baggage

**One Standard Checked Bag is included for each member of the trip.**

**CHECKED BAGGAGE - Maximum weight** per bag: 23kg (50lb)

**Maximum linear dimensions** (combined height/width/length including wheels & handles) per bag:157cm (62in)

<p><b>Standard article</b> <b>Maximum size:</b> Wheels and handles included 53 cm x 23 cm x 38 cm (21 in x 9 in x 15 in) <b>Maximum weight:</b> 10 kg (22 lb)</p>	<p><b>Personal article</b> <b>Maximum size:</b> 41 cm x 15 cm x 33 cm (16 in x 6 in x 13 in) <b>Maximum weight:</b> 10 kg (22 lb)</p>
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**For those who have SMALL instruments:**

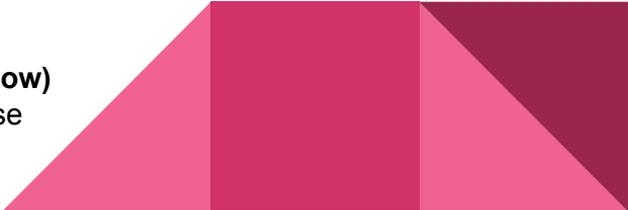
Trumpets/smaller instruments can be carried on plane as carry-on luggage or packed in your checked luggage.

**For those who have LARGE (but not oversized) instruments:**

Larger pieces must be checked in. These students should then 'carry on' their suitcase ensuring it is within the carry-on dimensions above.

**For those students who have OVERSIZED INSTRUMENTS\*\* (see dimensions/weight below)**

Oversized instruments must be checked in. These students should then 'carry on' their suitcase ensuring it is within the carry-on dimensions above. *i.e. Tuba, Bari Sax, Euph.*



# Flights cont'd.

## LIQUIDS

You are allowed to bring a 1 litre sized bag of **liquids**, aerosols, gels, creams and pastes in your **carry-on** bag and through the checkpoint. These are limited to travel-sized containers that are 3.4 ounces (100 milliliters) or less per item.

*Valve oil, cork grease, and other related instrument lubricants should be packed in a plastic bag and put in your checked baggage.*

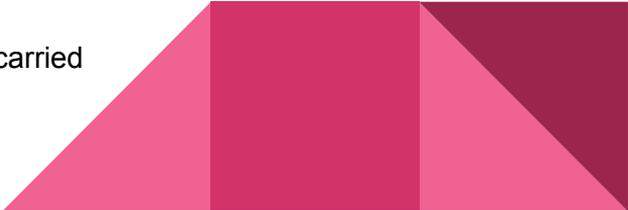
## MEALS ON BOARD

WestJet **only accepts credit cards for meals and entertainment** on board their flights. We recommend students carry a preloaded credit card and/or purchase food at the airport after clearing customs and security.

## PASSPORTS & CONSENT FORMS

Students will commence the trip with their passports and VISAs (where applicable) and go to clear customs. Mr. Allsopp will be there with copies of consent forms and field trip forms in case of any issues. Following clearing customs, Mr. Allsopp will collect students' passports (unless a different solution has been previously agreed upon) and keep them safe until returning to the airport to clear customs on our return.

Passports will be kept in a safe during the trip, however copies of passports and visas will be carried by Mr. Allsopp throughout the trip in case of issues or emergencies.



# Student Expectations

## **ATTENDANCE & BEING ON TIME**

Throughout the trip, students will be given a time and location to meet when an activity is beginning or finishing. Students should ensure that they are early or on-time for these meetings. The tour is jam packed with activities, and timeliness is required to ensure that activities are not missed.

Attendance will be taken using a number system. This expedites the process and ensures that we are able to proceed in a timely fashion.

## **STUDENT BEHAVIOUR**

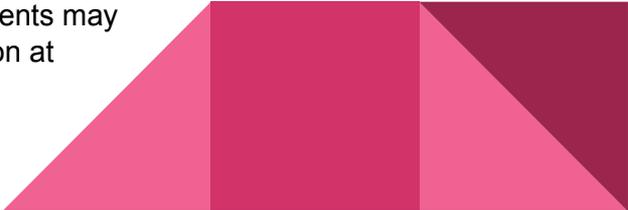
Because this is a school trip, all normal discipline policies and expectations apply. Any student involved in alcohol or drugs will be severely disciplined. In the case of major issues, students may be sent home with a chaperone and the family will be liable for any costs incurred.

In addition, New York City is a large and unfamiliar city. When given the opportunity to explore, students must remain in groups of at least 3, and are required to stay within the boundaries set out by the chaperones.

## **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY**

Students have a schedule which includes our tour hotel and the emergency cell number. Students may wish to program this number into their phones. Mr. Allsopp will have this phone with him and on at all times during the trip.

In case of emergency or problems, please contact Mr. Allsopp via cell.



# Audience Expectations

These expectations are pulled from the Village Vanguard website and are relevant to all three performances attended during the trip:

- During performances, QUIET IS ENFORCED. We're a jazz club, not a chat room.
- We do not serve food. We haven't served food here in 35 years. So if someone offers you a hamburger, check the expiration date.
- In accordance with New York State law, there is no smoking allowed in the club.
- Here at the Vanguard, we strive for a device-free zone. It's about experiencing the music in the moment.
- Using cell phones, cameras, iPads, androids, etc. during the music is both distracting and inconsiderate to your neighbors as well as the musicians performing.
- *We challenge you to remain hands-off your devices for the 75 odd (occasionally very odd) minutes of the set.*

NO PHOTOGRAPHY is permitted during performances.

NO VIDEOTAPING is permitted during performances.

NO AUDIO RECORDING is permitted during performances.

NO CELL PHONE USE of any kind.

*...PERIOD!*

