

# Frontier City Trip Initial Information

As you probably know by now, the 7<sup>th</sup> grade band will be taking a one-day trip to Oklahoma City at the end of this school year. The students will be participating in the Heartland Music Festival in Oklahoma City metro as well as spending the rest of the day at Frontier City.

## What is the Heartland Music Festival?

The Heartland Music Festival is a music contest with junior high or high school bands, orchestras, or choirs competing from several states. The contest will take place at a venue near Frontier City.

## When is the trip?

The trip will take place on Saturday May 11th. Students will leave from the middle school band room around 7:00 AM and arrive back in town at 7 PM. We will give you more details when the schedule is sent to us (about 2 weeks before the trip.)

## Who will attend?

Because we are performing in a contest, all seventh grade band students are expected to attend. We will also be looking for parent chaperones for the trip. If you are interested in attending, please indicate on the form at the end of this letter.

## What's the cost?

The cost of the trip for both students and chaperones is \$50. If you already have a season pass to Frontier City, the student cost is \$25. If chaperones have a season pass, they may go on this trip for free or they may pay \$15 to have the meal provided by Frontier City (usually chicken strips, chips, and a drink). The trip fees will cover the cost of transportation, festival fees, park entrance, and lunch in the park.

Students will wear their Jenks Band t-shirt for this trip. This shirt was included in the fall band fee price (\$10). [Please make sure that you have purchased a shirt from us.](#) This tshirt will also be the students' eighth grade band tshirt next year.

The cost of the entire trip is due no later than Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. You may pay through inTouch, check (made out to Jenks Band), or with cash in an envelope.

As a final push to help students obtain the full amount of funds, I have also provided a "Jenks 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Financial Sponsor" form. Rather than selling items, students can simply ask family, friends, and relatives if they would like to help sponsor them for the Heartland Music Festival trip by making a donation to the Jenks Band program. Money should be collected at the time of sponsorship, and students may use those funds as payment for their trip. Checks should be made out to Jenks Band.

### Are student trip monies refundable?

No. According to the Trip Fund Policy, "all funds disbursed from the trip fund shall be considered non-refundable unless the Director of Instrumental Music cancels the trip and a refund is available and received from the provider of the contracted service." All students are expected to attend the trip. Dropped enrollment, academic ineligibility, or disciplinary restrictions as determined by the middle school administration are not valid reasons for non-payment or refund of payment for trip expenses. According to the Jenks Student Handbook, students who do not meet their financial obligations will have their name placed "on hold" as outlined in the Handbook.

### How do parents become chaperones?

We would love for you to chaperone this trip! Please simply fill out the form at the bottom of this letter to indicate that you are interested in chaperoning. I will need to know the names of chaperones by Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. Because of limited space on the buses, we may need some chaperones to drive themselves. Please let me know on the form what your preference is regarding riding or driving.

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**Band Families: Please fill out this form no later than  
Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup>.**

<https://forms.gle/GjCpbamvUv3ySq6C6>



