

Greetings Students and Parents or Guardians!

Here is the NYC Trip itinerary. If there are any further questions, feel free to contact me, Erin Palmer. My email is palmere@dexterschools.org.

Should you have any emergencies or concerns while we are in New York, you may also call my cell phone. My number is **(248) 894-9088**.

Thanks and happy reading!

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Dexter High School Teacher

Adults going on the trip: Ms. Erin Palmer (Drama Club Advisor), Ms. Amanda Webster, Mr. Gregory LaVoy, Mrs. Kristin Tomczak, and Mrs. Nicole Durbin.

Students going on the trip:

Maggie Needham	Paige Chrisner	
Ali Moore	Bailey Scheller	
Bri Tomczak	Clara Gauthier	
Evelyn Versk	Camden Markel	Chaperons:
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BEFORE DEPARTURE:

Students will miss FULL days Thursday, Friday, and on Monday February 27, 28 and March 2nd. Make absolutely sure that you obtain your homework from ALL of your teachers BEFORE going on the trip. Make sure that ALL quizzes, tests, and projects are handed in and taken care of BEFORE going on the trip. Consortium students MUST contact their teachers in Saline to ensure they can make up any required hours a part of their programs. Please note that students will arrive at approximately 9am on Monday which means students *COULD* attend classes on MONDAY if they choose. However, it will appear as an excused "School Business" absence in Powerschool for teachers.

TO BRING –

- Pack light! You will be responsible for carrying your own luggage.
- Bring things such as iPods, books, cards, snacks to keep yourself entertained on the bus! If you have any movies bring for good of the group for the bus ride!
- Bring a variety of clothes...Its WINTER!...so layers will be your friend! Gloves and Hat required!
- Bring shoes that are comfortable to walk in...we do A LOT of walking!! This goes for dressing up too!
- Bring dress clothes for the theater (NO jeans for shows)!

-Photo ID – School ID, License, or passport!

-Bring some *cash* to be able to split your bills if needed!

-You will need *at least 60 or 70 dollars* of cash for the formal meals/Ice Skate rental (if that is what you signed up for) as noted throughout the itinerary. The rest of your meals you control how much you spend at each place however cash will make it easier to split the bill more easily.

REMINDER: THE 1050 DOLLAR COST OF THIS TRIP DOES NOT INCLUDED MEALS!!!!
HOWEVER, THE HOTEL WE ARE STAYING AT PROVIDES A CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST!
APPROXIMATE COSTS ARE NOTED IN MOST CASES ON THE ITINERARY!

ITINERARY FOR NYC THEATER TRIP

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH

4:00 AM Leave For New York City from DHS Loading Dock/Scene Shop Area via US Coachways Motors Motorcoach Service.

PLEASE NOTE: Student Drivers you CANNOT leave your cars in the lower parking lot.

PLEASE NOTE: We will be on the Motor Coach bus for a while! This is a wonderful time to complete homework assignments, play cards/games, or otherwise entertain yourself. You might want to try and get some sleep on the bus as well...Fun few days ahead!

PLEASE NOTE: Make sure that you have eaten a decent meal before getting on the bus. Bring snacks, but we will stop at truck stops along the way too!

During Drive –Lunch – Fast Food at a Truck Stop – Inexpensive (~\$10)

4pm/5pm Arrive in New York City and Check into our HOTEL rooms. **See attached roommate list.**

Ameritania at Times Square

230 W 54th St, New York, NY 10019

PH (212) 247-5000

5:00pm Meet in Hotel Lobby – DO NOT BE LATE!

5:15pm Dinner Reservation: Ellen’s Stardust Diner - Times Square, Midtown Manhattan, New York City is home to the future stars of stage and screen at Ellen's Stardust Diner - THE home of the world famous singing wait staff and some of the best diner food in the country. Serving Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner for tour groups and locals alike since 1987! (**\$30 Cash Given to Palmer** this will cover your entertainment, tip, taxes, and all menu items below. Check out Entrée choices below:

Appetizer: Chips and Salsa

Entrée Choices: American Cheeseburger with French Fries; American Hamburger (no cheese) with French Fries; Chicken Fingers with French Fries; Grilled Chicken Breast Sandwich with French Fries; Large Caesar Salad with or without Chicken; Pasta Pomodoro with or without Chicken; Gluten Free Vegan Pasta with or without Chicken

Dessert: Mini Ice Cream Sundae

Beverage: Iced Tea, Soda, Hot Coffee or Hot Tea

7:00pm OR 8:00pm - We all will be seeing **shows this evening in 2 groups. There is a chaperone in each group. See Attached List of Student Placement. Students seeing Moulin Rouge will get a little Times Square (at night) time because their show starts later!**

@7:00pm West Side Story
Broadway Theater
1681 Broadway
New York, NY 10019

@8:00pm Moulin Rouge
Al Hirschfeld Theatre
302 West 45th Street
New York, NY 10036

10:30/11:00pm At the conclusion of all Broadway shows student audience members can choose to wait at the Stage Door to meet, greet, and get signatures from the actors in the show. SO, staying for Stage Door Signatures and/or Dessert on our way back to the hotel are options.

Midnight Chaperons Check-in/Room Rounds -DO NOT LEAVE YOUR ROOM AT THIS POINT.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH

8:00am Meet Hotel Lobby – DO NOT BE LATE!

8:00am Continental Breakfast at the Hotel

8:30am Walking tour of **Columbia Circle, Lincoln Center, Central Park** (Strawberry Fields, Bethesda Terrace, and Belvedere Castle), etc. working our way toward **Metropolitan Museum of Art (MET)**

11:30am – 2:00pm MET Visit and Lunch at one of MET Cafeterias (~\$20-30).

You may explore the museum in small groups of at least 3, **with your cell phones on at all times**. Reminder that you are representing Dexter Drama Club and must maintain proper art museum etiquette!

2:00am Take **subway** to **Rockefeller Center**

2:30-4:00pm Visit **Top of the Rock – Rockefeller Center** (NYC Skyline Viewing) **OR** Ice Skating at **The Rink at Rockefeller**. See Attached List of Student Placement.

Note: Timeslot for Ice Skating session is 2:30-4pm and Top of the Rock Timeslot is 2:55. Both groups meet at Rink at 4pm.

Note: Ice Skaters! Drama paid for skate session, but you will have to pay for your **skate rental = \$10**. Given to Ms. Amanda/Mr. Greg prior to session.

4:00-4:30pm Walking tour of **Rockefeller Center, Radio City Music Hall, St. Patrick's Cathedral**

5:00pm Return to the hotel, get ready for dinner and Broadway Show. Get into theatre clothes at this point.

6:15pm Meet in hotel lobby to go to dinner.

6:30pm Playwright–Individual Table Dinner. Depends on what you order (~\$30-40)– Warm atmosphere featuring Irish-American fare in a wood-paneled dining room adorned with Broadway memorabilia. You will be splitting your check! Remember tax and tip lesson! Bring Cash.

8:00pm We all will be seeing **shows this evening in ONE single group**.

Hadestown

Walter Kerr Theatre

219 West 48th Street

New York, NY 10036

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Midnight Chaperons Check-in -DO NOT LEAVE YOUR ROOM AT THIS POINT.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29th

8:00am Meet Hotel Lobby /Continental Breakfast at the Hotel

8:30am – DO NOT BE LATE! Walking tour of **Carnegie Hall, The Plaza Hotel, 5th Avenue, Grand Central Station, Bryant Park and New York Public Library** (Home to original Winnie the Pooh Animals 😊), and **Times Square**

You may explore within the boundary Palmer sets in small groups of at least 3, **with your cell phones on at all times.**

11:00-ish Grab lunch at Danny's or somewhere relatively inexpensive (~\$20) in **Times Square.**

1:15pm Take **Subway** and walk to **9/11 Ground Zero Site, Memorial, and Museum**

2:00pm 9/11 Memorial Museum Visit Reservation

4:30pm Depart Memorial and Take **Subway** to return to hotel, rest up, freshen up, etc. Note there is no stage door time after the afternoon performance.

5:55pm Meet in hotel lobby to go to dinner.

6:00pm Angelo's Pizza Restaurant –Family Style eating 😊

- Depends on what you order (~\$20-30)– **Bring Cash because Palmer will pay bill and chaperones will collect your portion in cash.**

8:00pm We all will be seeing **shows this evening in 2 groups. There is a chaperone in each group. See Attached List of Student Placement.**

West Side Story
Broadway Theater
1681 Broadway
New York, NY 10019

Beetlejuice
Winter Garden Theatre
1634 Broadway
New York, NY 10019

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Midnight Chaperons Check-in -DO NOT LEAVE YOUR ROOM AT THIS POINT.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST

8:15am Make sure that you have your bags packed and are brought down with you ready to check out. Grab a quick Continental Breakfast at Hotel.

8:45am Load bags onto US Coachways Motorcoach and Depart for **Brooklyn Bridge!**

9:15am Walk Brooklyn Bridge toward Manhattan!

11:00am Depart Brooklyn Bridge and take **Subway** to **Chinatown and Little Italy.**

12:00(ish) Lunch in Little Italy. (As the Italians say, "*Mangia molto!*" (roughly translated: "Eat lots!") Eat a nice lunch, because it is a long bus ride home. - Group Dinner (**\$30 Cash Given to Palmer** this will cover your drink, entrée (multi-courses), sides, dessert, and tip)

1:30ish-2:30pm – This is your chance to shop and explore the Chinatown and Little Italy area to do some souvenir shopping.

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2:30pm - Take **Subway** down to the **Staten Island Ferry.**

3:00-4:00pm Float by the **Statue of Liberty**, take pictures, experience the skyline from the water, etc.

NOTE: It will be very cold on the ferry. DRESS APPROPRIATELY.

4:00pm Take **Subway** to STOMP

5:30pm We all will be seeing **shows this evening in ONE single group.**

STOMP
Orpheum Theatre
126 2nd Avenue
New York, NY 10003

7:30pm La Palapa – Taco Bar established by Chef Barbara Sibley. Mexico City style tacos and artisanal Mexican home cooking...get ready for some authentic Mexican! Private Room reservation with Bluetooth music...we can play our own music 😊

- Depends on what you order (~\$20-30)– **Bring Cash because Palmer will pay bill and chaperones will collect your portion in cash.**

9:00pm US Coachway *Motorcoach* takes us back to Dexter! YAY!

MONDAY, MARCH 2ND

9:00am (approximately) Arrive back at DHS Loading Dock/Scene Shop Area. We will call when we are within 15 minutes of arrival to give parents/guardians notice! Tell rides to be prompt! If we arrive early, they do not want to get caught in the High School drop off traffic!

TUESDAY, MARCH 3RD

8am Report back to school, bright-eyed and bushy tailed. 😊

****YOUR ATTENDANCE IN SCHOOL THAT FOLLOWING WEEK IS MANDATORY. Tired? So are we all! We have time to play, we have time to work. If we have absences, teachers will start to complain, which will lead to the potential demise of the NYC Trip. You do have Monday to recuperate. Be rested and ready to go Tuesday.**

Top of the Rock vs Ice Skating at Rockefeller Center

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28TH

<i>TOP OF THE ROCK (2:55)</i>	<i>ICE SKATING (2:30-4:00)</i>
Evelyn Vresk	Paige Chrisner
Bailey Scheller	Allison Kelly
Jackson Helmholtz	Clara Gauthier
Kieran Grossman	Annabelle Gauthier
Ethan Andreoli	Maggie Needham
Weston Myers	Bri Tomczak
Elliott Portice	Kesley Walter
	Zoe Nowak
	Lily Cyrulnik

	Ali Moore
	Christian Dimo
	Camden Markel
	Kevin Bauersfeld
Nicole Durbin	
Erin Palmer	
	Kristin Tomczak
	Greg LaVoy
	Amanda Webster

Show Attendance!

THURSDAY February 27TH

<i>WEST SIDE STORY @7:00pm</i> <i>13</i>	<i>Moulin Rouge @8pm</i> <i>12</i>
Maggie Needham	Paige Chrisner
Ali Moore	Bailey Scheller
Bri Tomczak	Clara Gauthier
Evelyn Vresk	Camden Markel
Annabelle Gauthier	Christian Dimo
Ethan Andreoli	Kieran Grossman
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Kristin Tomczak	

Show Attendance!

FRIDAY February 28th - We ALL we will seeing Hadestown!

Show Attendance!

SATURDAY February 29th

<i>BEETLEJUICE @8:00pm 13</i>	<i>WEST SIDE STORY @8:00pm 12</i>
Maggie Needham	Paige Chrisner
Ali Moore	Bailey Scheller
Bri Tomczak	Clara Gauthier
Evelyn Vresk	Camden Markel
Annabelle Gauthier	Christian Dimo
Ethan Andreoli	Kieran Grossman
Weston Myers	Kesley Walter
Zoe Nowak	Jackson Helmholtz
Allison Kelly	Kevin Bauersfeld
Lily Cyrulnik	
Elliott Portice	Erin Palmer
	Greg LaVoy
	Amanda Webster
Nicole Durbin	
Kristin Tomczak	

Show Attendance!

SUNDAY March 1st - We ALL we will seeing Stomp!

NYC February 2020 Rooming List

Room 1
Ethan Andreoli
Weston Myers
Kevin Bauersfeld

Room 2
Jackson Helmholtz
Camden Markel
Christian Dimo

Room 3
Allison Kelly
Bri Tomczak
Kesley Walter
Clara Gauthier

Room 4
Evelyn Vresk
Paige Chrisner
Bailey Scheller
Annabelle Gauthier

Room 5
Ali Moore
Zoe Nowak
Lily Cyrulnik
Maggie Needham

Room 6 - Chaperone
Erin Palmer
Amanda Webster
Greg Lavoy

Room 7 - Chaperone
Kristin Tomczak
Nicole Durbin

Room 8 – ADA Queen
Kieran Grossman
Elliott Portice

NEW YORK DINNER MATH LESSON

New York City, when you count up all of the state, county and city taxes, runs about 15%. Yup, that's really high. It is very important that you figure that into your total bill when figuring out who owes what at your table. Likewise, a gratuity is almost always added to the bill, especially for large groups (between 15% and 18%). That also needs to be figured into your total bill.

Here is an easy way of figuring out what you owe after enjoying your dinner...

- First round up to the even dollar per item. So your drink that was \$2.69 becomes \$3, etc.
- Then, take the total amount that your food items were on the menu. And ADD 30% to that number (which will cover your portion of the tax and gratuity). This will be the total amount that you owe.

Example:

Approximate total:

Jared Scott

Cheeseburger with fries.....\$13.99 (\$14)
Strawberry Milkshake.....\$5.99 (\$6)

Jared's total.....\$26.00

Anna Mason

Meatloaf.....\$17.99 (\$18)
Pepsi.....\$2.69 (\$3)

Anna's total.....\$27.30

Hunter Horvath

Turkey sub with fries.....\$13.99 (\$14)
Pepsi.....\$2.69 (\$3)

Hunter's total.....\$22.10

Dan Hanrath

Caesar salad.....\$11.99 (\$12)
Water.....\$0.00

Dan's total.....\$15.60

Mitchel Allie

Chicken Marsala.....\$16.99 (\$17)
Pepsi.....\$2.69 (\$3)

Mitchell's Total.....\$26.00

SUB TOTAL.....\$89.01
NY taxes (15%).....\$13.35
18% gratuity.....\$16.02

ACTUAL TOTAL.....\$118.38

OUR Total.....\$117.00

Okay, so we're \$1.38 off. But that's pretty darn close. At this point, you have one of two options: 1) Have everyone throw in an extra 28 cents, or 2) Someone at the table be Spartacus and throw down the remaining \$1.38. People will cheer. Statues will be erected in your honor. Well...maybe not, BUT it will make things a LOT easier when we are trying to leave the restaurant and get to the theater ON TIME. Another suggestion if you fall just a tad short: take turns being Spartacus. Have someone else throw down the couple of dollars next time.

...you also have phones...so you could use those contraptions for more than social media! Take your total and multiply it by .33 (15 percent (taxes) plus 18 percent (tip) equals 33 percent). This will make you give you the exact amount to add to your total bill 😊