

The background of the slide is a photograph of the Tower Bridge in London, taken at dusk. The bridge's two towers are illuminated with warm lights, and the suspension cables are visible against the dark, cloudy sky. The bridge spans across the River Thames, which is visible in the foreground. The overall mood is serene and atmospheric.

DMHS LONDON TRIP INFO MEETING 2024-2025

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BAND AND ORCHESTRA STUDENTS: 8-11TH GRADE

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO COVER? (40 MINUTES)

- Who, What, When, Where, Why?
- Sample Itinerary
- Inclusions
- Price
- Fundraising
- Questions?

WHO WHAT
WHEN WHERE
WHY?

- Band and Orchestra Students + Families
 - Enrolled in a band or orchestra class for the 2024-25 school year
 - London New Years Day Parade + Gala performances
 - Invitation only!
 - December 28th-January 4th (includes 2 days travel)
 - London only
 - Once in a life time experience:
 - Perform in these historic places

FAMILIES CAN COME TOO!

- All family members are invited! Join us in this awesome experience
- Any non-band/orch students must be attended by a relative/parent during the trip
 - i.e. freshman brother who isn't in these courses cannot just tag along without a parent
- All those travelling with us get access to ALL of the trip amenities for the same price as the students.
- You are also welcome to travel alongside us, lodging/airline details to be shared upon receipt.



WANNA CHAPERONE?

- Lots of Fun!
- Ratio needed is 6:1 so approximately 10-15 adults!
- Let Mr. Hummel know! Great opportunity to support our students!
- Chaperones will play a key roll on this trip as students will work with their chaperone groups to decide how they want to spend free time in London as a group
 - Student will not travel anywhere without a chaperone
 - Groups must plan and work together to decide what they want to do and chaperones get to lead that!

DAY 1 (12/28-29): TRAVEL DAY

- Meet @ the airport
- Typically an overnight flight (11 hours, 1 connection)
- Group flies together, economy class
- 2 meals provided on the plane during the flight
- 1 checked bag, 1 carry-on, 1 personal item all included
- Typically arrive around lunch time London time
 - Transport to hotel in charter buses
 - Get checked into hotel
 - Then Dinner @ Hotel Restaruant
- All Instruments and Uniforms Shipped as a group to London, free of charge





DAY 2 (12/30):

Orchestra Performance at Gala event

- Half Day Tour of London's Historic West End
 - Done on a private motor coach w/ tour guide



DAY 3 (12/31):

- Band Performance at Gala Event
- Half day at the Tower of London
 - Includes seeing the Crown Jewels, the Bloody Tower, Traitors Gate, and the Chapel of St. John
- DMHS Wolves NYE Party in the Hotel



DAY 4 (1/1):

- 39th annual LNYDP!
- Free afternoon



DAY 5 (1/2):

- $\frac{3}{4}$ day Tour of Windsor and Windsor Castle
- Free time with Group in London



DAY 6 (1/3):

- $\frac{3}{4}$ day Tour of Oxford
- Free time with Group in London





DAY 7 (1/4): TRAVEL DAY

TRAVEL DAY

A collage of travel-related items. In the background, there's a map with various geographical features. In the foreground, an open passport is visible with several stamps. One circular stamp reads 'PASSPORT CONTROL' and '2016-01-09'. Another rectangular stamp reads 'PASSPORT CONTROL DEPARTURE' and '2016-10-24'. A pair of sunglasses is resting on the right side of the passport. A smartphone is partially visible on the left. In the bottom right, there are Euro banknotes, including a 20 Euro note with the serial number 'X235437' and a 10 Euro note with the serial number 'X20021773'.

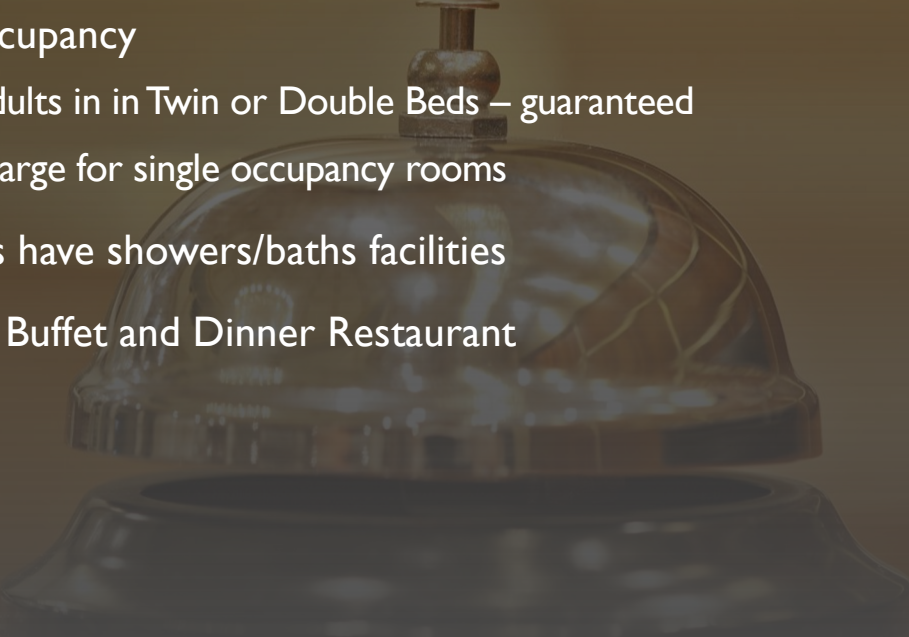
TRIP INCLUSIONS AND PRICE



TRANSPORTATION

- Airline ticket
 - 1 checked bag up to 50lbs
 - 1 carry on
 - 1 personal item (purse, laptop bag)
- Charter bus from airline to hotel, and all around London.

LODGING

- 6 nights in first class hotel in London
 - Twin or Double Bedded rooms some may be Triple or Quad Occupancy
 - All Adults in in Twin or Double Beds – guaranteed
 - Surcharge for single occupancy rooms
 - All rooms have showers/baths facilities
 - Breakfast Buffet and Dinner Restaurant
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MEALS PROVIDED

- Breakfast buffet all 6 days in hotel!
- 3 Dinners in Hotel Restaurant (2 course meals)
- 3 Dinners at Local restaurants (\$25/meal)
- Sack lunch for day of the Parade


ALL Dinners included, ALL breakfast included, and 1 lunch!

TOURIST STOPS

- Half day tour of London's Historic West End
 - Done on a private motor coach w/ tour guide
- Half day at the Tower of London
 - Includes seeing the Crown Jewels, the Bloody Tower, Traitors Gate, and the Chapel of St. John
- Panoramic boat trip on the River Thames
- $\frac{3}{4}$ day tour of Windsor and Windsor Castle
- $\frac{3}{4}$ day tour of Oxford

PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES

- ALL Students in attendance – participation in the 39th Annual LNYDP on 1/1/25!
- Orchestra Students perform in a Gala Concert in one of the following halls:
 - Cadogan Hall, St. John's Smith Square, or St. Johns Waterloo.
 - Comp tickets for all non-performing attendees (i.e. parents/band kdis)
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NEW YEARS EVE 2024/2025 IN LONDON!!!

- Strictly student oriented and controlled “New Year’s Eve Celebration” at our London Hotel
 - Private event, just for us
- It will have:
 - a professional disco light show
 - DJ for music
 - Rocket Balloons, Glow Sticks, Party Poppers
 - Pizza and Soda
 - Additional snacks and soda options available for purchase

Payment Plan:

January \$500 Required Deposit

February \$500

March \$500

April \$500

May \$500

AKA, \$2500 by the end of 2024 school year

September \$500 *Passports Due*

October \$500

November \$500

Total Balance due November 30th, 2024

All parents/students/chaperones this price

Need financial aide? Reach out to Hummel at
bhummel@susd.org

If you'd like an alternate pay plan, contact
Hummel.

Parents, if your interested in the Travel
Insurance Policy this is all under please
contact me and I'll forward it to you!

PRICE OF TRIP: \$4,000 USD

...WANT MORE?

- There is an option to add on a visit to London Theater to see a live show!
- +\$60-\$200/seat *ask for details
- ONLY for those interested, we'd organize a sub-group of chaperones/teachers to go to this event with the students and families wanting it.
- Please let me know, entirely based on interest!



FUNDRAISING!

- "Adrenaline Fundraising"
- March Fundraiser is a "text-a-thon", all attending students required to participate.
- Sept/Oct Fundraiser will be selling candles, not required.
- All money you raise goes towards YOUR trip, so this is your chance to raise money to make your trip more affordable.
 - Financial aide will not be available for those not meaningfully participate in fundraising.
 - Parents can fundraise too!
 - You may also donate your raised funds to others in need – speak with me
- 80% profits come back to us.



WHAT'S NEXT FOR LONDON?

- Sign up for the trip via the link you'll be emailed tomorrow by no later than next Friday
- Think about the payment plan you'd like, discuss as a family the importance of fundraising for your situation. Reach out to Hummel with financial aide needs.
- Plan to get or update your passports – they'll need turned in to Hummel in September
- Think about an international phone plan for your student – if desired.
- Be sure to register for the proper courses!
- Investigate the places we are going and **GET EXCITED!!!!!!**



QUESTIONS?
