



SPRING PERFORMANCE TOUR

Philadelphia, PA
APRIL 11-13, 2019



THURSDAY, APRIL 11

- 5:30 AM Bus arrives at Cox High School 2425 Shorehaven Drive, Virginia Beach
6:00 AM Depart for **Philadelphia, the city of Brotherly Love**
- Afternoon Upon arrival to Philadelphia area your group will transfer directly to **King of Prussia Mall**, the court and the plaza combine to make the largest mall on the East Coast! This mall has been a shopper's paradise since its opening in 1963 and features major department stores including Neiman Marcus, Nordstrom, Bloomingdale's and Macy's with more than 40 eateries including Morton's, Shake Shack and The Cheesecake Factory! (\$\$)
Group performance opportunity at the Mall Court upon approval.
- 3:00 PM Hotel Check in: **Hyatt Place King of Prussia** – 440 American Ave, King of Prussia
484-690-2005
- 5:00 PM Depart the hotel
- 5:45-7:00 PM Group dinner at **Hard Rock Café**
Group menu to include: Hamburger or Cheeseburger or Veggie Burger with French Fries, Caesar Salad with or without Chicken, Cookie for Dessert and Unlimited Soft Drinks
- 7:00 PM Arrive at The Academy of Music
7:30 PM Group admission to **Anastasia at The Academy of Music**
– Inspired by the beloved films, *Anastasia* transports us from the twilight of the Russian Empire to the euphoria of Paris in the 1920's, as a brave young woman sets out to discover the mystery of her past. Pursued by a ruthless Soviet officer determined to silence her, Anya enlists the aid of a dashing conman and a lovable ex-aristocrat. Together, they embark on an epic adventure to help her find home, love, and family.
- 11PM Return to the hotel
Escort/Director meet your security officer in the lobby. Chaperones will do room checks and provide information to the students about the next day's itinerary.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

- Morning **Breakfast** at hotel
- 9:30 AM This morning your group will travel into the city to explore the **Adventure Aquarium** where you will enjoy exhibits with more than 8,500 aquatic species including home to the largest collection of sharks on the East Coast.
- 11:30 AM Group will transfer to The Bourse for lunch (\$\$)
- After Lunch Your group will transfer to **The Kimmel Center** for a Building & Theater Tour. You will visit Perelman Theater and Verizon Hall, home of the Philadelphia Orchestra, the Philly POPS, and Kimmel Center Presents as well as the Dorrance H. Hamilton Garden. There may be a very special Fred J. Cooper Memorial Organ demonstration as part of the tour! Tour lasts 1 hour.
- 3:00 PM Self-guided tour of **The Independence National Historical Park's Visitor Center**. More than a dozen of our nation's most important historical attractions can be found here-including the Liberty Bell in its new glass-enclosed pavilion and Independence Hall. Tour **Congress Hall, The Liberty Bell Pavilion and Carpenter's Hall**. Independence Hall tour passes are on a first-come, first served basis.



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6:30-9:00 PM

Group Pizza and Salad Dinner followed by a group friendly comedy show with *ComedySportz*! ComedySportz is a fast-paced, family-friendly improvisational comedy, played as a sport that is sure to entertain your group. Two teams take turns making up scenes, playing games and singing songs – and the audience votes on which team they like the best. It's all presided over by a referee, who keeps things moving, calls the **ComedySportz** fouls and takes suggestions shouted out by the audience before each game.

9:30 PM

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11:00 PM

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SATURDAY, APRIL 13

7:00 AM

Breakfast at hotel
Hotel check out

8:00 AM

Depart the hotel for your 2 hour trip to Hershey

Today your group will travel to **Hershey Park, PA** for a day of fun in the park! Park Hours are 10am – 9pm.

Group performance opportunity at the park upon approval.

Group will have the option of meeting for a Group All-You-Can-Eat Picnic or using a Meal Coupon for a meal in the park.

6:00 PM

Board your bus for your return trip home arriving just after midnight.

LAST MINUTE ITEMS

WEATHER FORECAST

- Thursday, April 11: 63 (H) // 41 (L)
- Friday, April 12: 64 (H) // 41 (L)
- Saturday, April 13: 64 (H) // 41 (L)

CHAPERONE PHONE NUMBERS

- Kevin Fields: TBA @ meeting
- Stacey Dunlap: TBA @ meeting
- Mary Mee-Wilson: TBA @ meeting

HYATT KING OF PRUSSIA HOTEL

- 484.690.3000
- 440 American Avenue, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, 19406

THINGS TO PACK (outside of your general needs)

- Philadelphia trip shirt (green)
- Orchestra t-shirt (black)
- Money (souvenirs and food)
 - Students are responsible for TWO meals on this trip (lunch on Thurs./Fri.)
- Instrument & music
 - Dramatic Essay, Eureka, Seasons of Love