

OLATHE EAST HIGH SCHOOL BAND
JEFF SMIKAHL & REBECCA FILLINGHAM—DIRECTORS
DESTINATION: NEW YORK, NY
TRAVEL DATES: APRIL 12—15, 2024

FINAL ITINERARY AS OF MARCH 29, 2024

Travel Consultant: Tom Merrill
Travel Coordinator: Kim King
Tour Director: Jim Ryan
Airport Greeter: Karen Griffin
BRT Emergency Number: 800-373-1423

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024

- 3:00 AM Students report to Olathe East High School.
- 3:30 AM Buses will depart for Kansas City airport. (*Buses are being arranged by the school*)
- 4:30 AM Arrive at **Kansas City International Airport**
(*Group is responsible for transportation to the airport*)

You will be greeted by Karen Griffin, a Bob Rogers Travel Airport Greeter

Upon arrival Begin check-in process and proceed through security. Anyone 18 years and older will require **driver's license, state ID, or passports**. Anyone 17 years or younger is asked to bring a school ID just for identification purposes. Keep them handy throughout check-in and security processing.

NAVY GROUP

- 6:39 AM 21 passengers depart **Kansas City International Airport** for Newark-Liberty International Airport via United Airlines flight #1496
- 10:30 AM Arrive at **Newark-Liberty International Airport**.

Meet Meredith Toback, your Bob Rogers Travel Representative, upon arrival

- 11:15 AM Navy Group board one Coachman Luxury motor coach; depart for Manhattan.

(FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024 – continued)

ORANGE GROUP

7:05 AM 90 passengers depart **Kansas City International Airport** for **New York—LaGuardia International Airport** via Southwest Airlines flight #5834

10:50 AM Arrive at **New York—LaGuardia International Airport**.

Meet Jim Ryan, your Bob Rogers Travel Professional Tour Director, upon arrival

11:45 AM Orange Group board two Hampton Jitney 56-passenger motor coaches; depart for Manhattan.

12:15 PM Navy Group arrive at Rockefeller Center. Lunch in the area.

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\$20 on a VISA gift card is included for lunch for all participants today.

2:30 PM All meet back at Rockefeller Center.

3:00 PM Experience the **Top of the Rock**
30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10112

- 21 participants each enter at 3:05, 3:10, 3:15, 3:20, and 3:25 PM
- 3:35 PM: 9 participants
- 3:40 PM: 6 participants

5:00 PM **Dinner included at the Grisly Pear.**
243 West 54th Street (between Broadway & 8th Avenue), New York, NY 10019

7:00 PM Depart for your hotel.

8:00 PM Arrive at your hotel, the **Doubletree Hilton Newark Airport**. Check into your hotel.
128 Frontage Road, Newark, NJ 07114

2 Private Security Guards on duty – 10:30 PM-5:30 AM



SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024

- 7:00 AM **Buffet breakfast** at the hotel. Following breakfast get into concert wear.
- 8:30 AM Load motor coaches and depart for Roxbury High School. (33 miles, 1 hour travel time is allotted)
- 9:30 AM Arrive at Roxbury High School for the **Metropolitan Wind Band Festival**.
1 Bryant Street, Succasunna, NJ 07876

Symphonic Band Schedule

- 9:50 AM Set up for Symphonic Band
- 10:00 AM Symphonic Band reports to warm up.
- 10:30 AM Performance by the **Olathe East High School Symphonic Band**.
- 11:00 AM A clinic with one of the adjudicators will follow your performance.
- 11:40 AM Clinic ends. Pack your instruments.
- 11:50 AM **Sub Sandwich lunch** at the school.
- 12:30 PM In the audience to listen to Wind Ensemble perform, followed by additional ensembles.
- 1:30 PM Begin packing the motorcoaches.

Wind Ensemble Schedule

- 9:30 AM Wind Ensemble to audience to hear other groups, including Symphonic Band.
- 11:00 AM Symphonic Band performance ends. **Sub Sandwich lunch** at the school.
- 11:50 AM Set up for Wind Ensemble.
- 12:00 PM Wind Ensemble reports to warm up.
- 12:30 PM Performance by the **Olathe East High School Wind Ensemble**.
- 1:00 PM A clinic with one of the adjudicators will follow your performance.
- 1:40 PM Clinic ends. Pack your instruments and load your motorcoaches.

- 2:00 PM Board your coach and depart for Manhattan. (43 miles; 1 hour travel time is allotted)

(SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024 – continued)

- 3:00 PM Arrive in the Theater District. Free time to explore **Times Square**.
Known as "The Crossroads of the World" and "The Great White Way," it is one of the most popular commercial intersections in the world! Located in central Manhattan at the junction of Broadway and Seventh Avenue, this popular NYC attraction is home to top destinations such as **Broadway Theaters, ABC's Times Square Studios, and the Ed Sullivan Theater** (home of the **Late Show with Stephen Colbert**).
- 5:30 PM **Dinner at John's Pizzeria.**
260 West 44th Street, New York, NY 10036
- 7:30 PM Arrive at the Booth Theatre.
222 West 45th Street, New York, NY 10036
- 8:00 PM Attend a performance of the hit show **Kimberly Akimbo!**
- 10:45 PM Load motor coach; depart for your hotel.
- 11:30 PM Return to the hotel.

2 Private Security Guards on duty – 10:30 PM-5:30 AM

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

- 7:00 AM **Buffet breakfast** at the hotel
- 8:30 AM Depart the hotel.
- 9:00 AM Arrive at **Liberty State Park.**
1 Audrey Zapp Drive, Jersey City, NJ 07305

NOTE: your motorcoach will transfer to Manhattan and meet you there. Take anything you need for the day with you.

Please Note: You will proceed through airport-type security prior to getting on the ferry and bags will be searched.

Board ferry for **Ellis Island, Liberty Island and The Statue Of Liberty.** The ferry will stop first at Ellis Island where you can disembark and visit the Immigration Museum. If you do not wish to visit Ellis Island, remain on the ferry to Liberty Island. When done on both islands, take the ferry from Liberty Island to Battery Park.

Meal voucher to use at Liberty Island is included.

- 1:30 PM Arrive at Battery Park. Walk from Battery Park towards the **National 9/11 Memorial.** Along the way, visit **Stone Street, The Charging Bull, Wall Street, Federal Hall, Trinity Church** (see **Hamilton's grave!**), and **St. Paul's Chapel**
- 2:30 PM Arrive at the **National September 11 Memorial and Museum.**
180 Greenwich Street New York, NY 10007
The September 11 Memorial consists of two massive pools set within the original footprints of the Twin Towers with 30-foot waterfalls cascading down their sides. The names of nearly 3,000 men, women, and children killed in the attacks of September 11, 2001 and February 26, 1993 are inscribed in bronze on parapets around the edges of the waterfalls.
- 3:00 PM Museum admission.
The September 11 Memorial Museum invites visitors to learn about the history of the 9/11 attacks and the 1993 World Trade Center bombing at the site where the Twin Towers once stood. The Museum's dynamic blend of architecture, archaeology, and history creates an unforgettable encounter with the story of the attacks, their aftermath, and the people who experienced these events.
- 5:00 PM Meet your motor coach to transfer.



(SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024 – continued)

5:30 PM Arrive in **Chinatown** and **Little Italy**. Time to explore the shops here.

6:30 PM **Dinner included at La Nonna.**
151 Mulberry Street, New York, NY 10013

8:00 PM Board your motor coach and transfer.

9:00 PM Arrive at your hotel.

2 Private Security Guards on duty – 10:30 PM-5:30 AM

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024

- 7:00 AM **Buffet breakfast** at the hotel.
- 8:00 AM Check-out of the hotel; begin loading motor coaches.
- Navy Group load onto your one 56-passenger Coachman Luxury coach
 - Orange Group load onto your two 56-passenger Hampton Jitney coaches
- 8:30 AM Depart for Manhattan.
- 9:15 AM Enjoy time to explore **Central Park**
Enjoy free time in the park. Extending south to north from 59th street to 110th street, and east to west from Fifth Avenue to Central Park West, you will find over 840 acres of landscaped and recreational areas including: a zoo, theater, sports facilities, lakes, and more!
- 10:30 AM Arrive for the **Radio City Music Hall Backstage Tour**
1260 6th Avenue, New York, NY 10020
The Radio City Stage Door Tour offers an insider's look at the legendary Radio City Music Hall, known for the Christmas Spectacular. On this guided tour, discover art deco masterpieces, learn the secrets of the Great Stage, meet a Rockette, and much more!
- 12:15 PM Board your motor coaches and depart.
- 12:45 PM Arrive for lunch at **Chelsea Market. \$20 on a VISA gift card towards lunch expenses.**
- 2:00 PM Following lunch time to explore the **High Line Park.**
The High Line is a public park built on a historic freight rail line elevated above the streets. It runs from Gansevoort Street in the Meatpacking District to West 34th Street, between 10th and 12th Avenues. If you choose to walk the High Line, be sure to wear comfortable walking shoes.
- 3:00 PM Orange Group meet your coaches back at Chelsea Markt and depart for **New York-LaGuardia International Airport.**
- 4:00 PM Orange Group arrive at the airport. Dinner at the airport (at traveler expense).

Meet Meredith Toback, your Bob Rogers Travel Representative, upon arrival

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(MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024 – continued)

ORANGE GROUP

6:30	PM	90 passengers depart New York—LaGuardia International Airport for Nashville International Airport via Southwest Airlines flight #609
8:00	PM	Arrive at Nashville International Airport.
9:45	PM	Depart for Kansas City International Airport via Southwest Airlines flight #2819
11:25	PM	Arrive at Kansas City International Airport .

4:00 PM Navy Group return to the Times Square area for additional sightseeing and dinner in the area (*at traveler expense*).

6:00 PM Navy Group depart for Newark-Liberty International Airport.

7:00 PM Navy Group arrive at Newark-Liberty International Airport.

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NAVY GROUP

9:27	PM	21 passengers depart Newark-Liberty International Airport for Kansas City International Airport via United Airlines flight #2402.
11:42	PM	Arrive at Kansas City International Airport .

Upon arrival Proceed to baggage claim
PARENTS PLEASE NOTE: Parents are required to pick up their child or make arrangements for them to be picked up as busing is not available.

Evening Depart Kansas City International Airport (*Transportation back to the school is not provided*)

**THANK YOU FOR TRAVELING WITH BOB ROGERS TRAVEL.
WE HOPE YOU HAVE MADE MANY SPECIAL MEMORIES!!**