



# Langley Orchestra Trip 2023

Parent Meeting: August 31, 2022



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# New York City

## March 9 – 12, 2023



# Introductions

- Dr. Scott “Doc” McCormick  
Langley Orchestra Director
- Trip Coordinator, Karen DeFilipps
- LOS President, Pamela Fox  
and  
LOS Treasurer, Jen Dzwonczyk
- [LangleyOrchestraTrip@gmail.com](mailto:LangleyOrchestraTrip@gmail.com)
- [www.langleyorchestra.org](http://www.langleyorchestra.org)

# Tonight's Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Tentative Itinerary Highlights
3. Chaperones
4. Alums and "Fans"
5. Travel Options
6. Registration and Payment
7. Estimated Trip Costs
8. Trip Insurance
9. Scholarship Opportunities
10. Code of Conduct
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12. Why & Why Not To Register
13. Q & A
14. Next Steps
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# Day 1

Thursday, March 9, 2023

Tentative Student Itinerary

- 11:30 am -Get into Chaperone Groups and load buses at Langley High School (**Pack a lunch**)  
-Rest stop\* en route **Delaware House Service Plaza**
- 5:00 pm -Arrive in NYC!  
-Check into **Hampton Inn Times Square Central**
- 7:00 pm -Private welcome dinner at the **RIU Hotel**
- 9:00 pm -Visit to the **Observation Deck at Top of the Rock**
- 11:30 pm -Room Checks and Lights Out

\*extra spending \$ needed



# Day 2

Friday, March 10, 2023

Tentative Student Itinerary

- 7 - 9:00am -Breakfast in hotel
- 9 - 11am -**Tour St. Patrick's or Times Square\*** in Chap. Groups  
-Lunch\* in chaperone groups
- 12 - 6pm -Afternoon/evening **sound check at Carnegie Hall**
- 6:00 pm -**Dinner delivered** to Carnegie Hall holding room  
-After eating, **change into performance attire**
- 8:00 pm -**Performance at Carnegie Hall** as part of  
Director's Choice Elite Performance Invitational
- 11 pm - 1 am -Post-concert **private reception at Hard Rock Café**



# Day 3

Saturday, March 11, 2023

Tentative Student Itinerary

7 - 9am

-Breakfast at hotel

10 am - 2pm

-Self-guided visit to the **9/11 Museum**.

-Lunch\* in chaperone groups at Oculus or Wall Street

2:30pm

-**American Museum of Natural History and Rose Center**  
or **Museum of Modern Art**

6:30pm

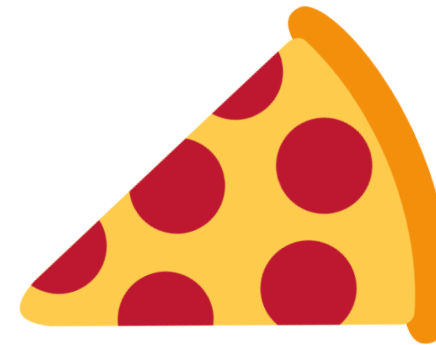
-Dinner included at **John's Pizzeria**

8:00 pm

-**Broadway Show**

11:00pm

-Return to hotel, Room Checks and Lights Out



# Day 4

Sunday, March 12, 2023

Tentative Student Itinerary

Morning -Breakfast at hotel and hotel check out  
-Free time in chaperone groups for last minute shopping and exploring of **Times Square\***

12:00pm -Lunch at **Ellen's Stardust Diner**

Afternoon -Board the **Staten Island Ferry** for a quick trip to view the **Statue of Liberty and the NYC skyline by water**. Buses will wait. After the ferry trip, board buses for the trip home. Rest stop at Delaware House.\*

Approx. 9pm -Arrive at Langley  
-Your child will text you our ETA



# Chaperones

- Must travel and stay with the students
- Usually 8-10 students per
- Goal: Help Lead a Safe, Smooth, and Fun Trip
  - Transition counts—every time
  - Wake up calls and nightly room checks
  - Lunches and free time
  - Problem solve/report
- Usually placed in a double room with another chaperone
- We will determine the number of adults based on the number of students, but estimate 12-16
- Email: [LangleyOrchestraTrip@gmail.com](mailto:LangleyOrchestraTrip@gmail.com) if interested
- **Don't register as a chaperone or make a deposit until you have been confirmed**
- FCPS Chaperone Guidelines...

<https://www.fcps.edu/activities-enrichment/field-trips/information-planning-field-trips/chaperone-guidelines>



# Alums and “Fans”

## Orchestra Alums

- Recent Orchestra Alums whose trips were canceled may perform with the current Orchestra
- Travel and accommodations are separate from the current students
- Alums will need to contribute to the cost of performing—currently about \$600
- Alums may choose the “Fan Package”

## “Fans”

- Kaleidoscope Adventures has put together a “Langley Orchestra Fan Package” that includes:
  - 1 night hotel at The Sheraton Times Square (or similar)
  - 1 Premium ticket to the Concert
  - 1 meal and the Private Langley Post-Concert Reception at the Hard Rock Cafe
- Estimated Price per Person (may change)
  - Single -\$524
  - Double -\$389
  - Triple -\$344
  - Quad -\$321



# Travel Options: Who Can Travel and How?

	Hampton Inn Package	Sheraton Package	Bus Travel	In-city tours & transportation	Concert Ticket	Post-Concert Reception	Most Meals	Alum Carnegie Hall Fee
Registered Orchestra Students	Quad rooms		✓	✓	Performing	✓	✓	
Chaperones	Double rooms		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Alumni Performers		Optional w/ "Fans"			Performing	Optional w/ "Fans"		✓
"Fans" (including chaperone spouses & Orchestra sibs)		✓			✓	✓		
All Others (including non-registered Orchestra students)					Box Office Availability			

# Travel Options: The Sweet Spot

- “Fans” Travel Package is separate and different
- Final Per Person Cost is determined by the total number of students, chaperones, and staff
- All trip pricing is on a Per Person Basis,
  - Current pricing is for 110 travelers
  - Fewer than 110 raises price/person
  - Just a little more than 110 also raises prices
- Goal: To take everyone who want to go
  - May not be possible
- **Only Guaranteed 2 Buses for 110 people**
  - 100 Students
  - 10 Staff and Chaperones
- 3<sup>rd</sup> bus may be possible, *but only if there are enough more to keeps costs close*
- **Our Sweet Spot = 130-140 students, chaps, & staff**





# Registration & Payment

- **Two separate, required steps**
  1. Register: WeTravel
  2. Pay: MySchoolBucks.com
- **First priority to Seniors**
  - Only if they register and make the first payment by the first deadline
- Priority for younger grades
  - Timing of the **latter** of the two steps above
- **No refunds**
- **Must pay for entire trip**
  - Even if a student's or chaperone's plans change
- **Strongly Recommend Optional Trip Insurance!!**

## Participant Travel Agreement

**Please read carefully before signing!**

Please read these Terms and Conditions carefully before registering for the Kaleidoscope Trip provided by Kaleidoscope Adventures, Inc. ("KAI"). By completing your trip registration, making a payment for the trip, or your continued use of our services, you, as the Participant or Parent/Legal Guardian of Participant (the "Participant"), hereby accept the following Terms and Conditions and agree to be bound by them. These terms and conditions contain our legal obligations to you and explain important obligations you are making. You represent that you are 18 years of age or older. If you do not agree to all of the terms contained herein, you must not register for the trip.

**Non-Responsibility.** Kaleidoscope Adventures, Inc., its owners, directors, officers, employees and affiliates, the teacher chaperones and my local school, (collectively "KAI") does not own or operate any entity which is to or does provide goods or services for your trip including, for example, ownership or control over hotels or other lodging facilities, airline, vessel, bus, van or other transportation companies, local ground operators, providers or organizers of optional excursions or equipment used thereon, food service, entertainment providers, etc. All such persons and entities are independent contractors. As a result, KAI is not liable for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such person or entity, or of any subcontractor. All bookings are accepted subject to the conditions, including cancellation terms, imposed by the services, including, but not limited to, the airline, cruise line, rail, coach, hotel, restaurants, insurance, and other companies, firms or persons concerned with the trip. KAI and its owners, officers, employees, and agents are hereby released from all claims arising out of such events, acts, or omissions, including claims for personal injury, damage, loss, accident, or irregularity. The Participant and his/her parent/guardian shall hold harmless KAI, its owners, officers, and agents from any and all claims, losses, damages, causes of action, suits, and liability of every kind, for any property damage, personal injury, death, or financial losses associated with the trip.

**Additional Risks.** Additional risks and dangers may arise including, but not limited to, hazards of travel by train, automobile, motor coach, aircraft and other means of conveyance, animal interactions, swimming, forces of nature, political unrest, other unrest, risks associated with water, food, plants, insects and differing animal regulation, and acts of national and local governments and unrest and acts of others against governments. These risks are not an exhaustive list but are examples of many kinds of risks. You are voluntarily participating in these activities with the knowledge that there are significant dangers involved, and you hereby agree to accept any and all risks. As lawful consideration for the agreement with KAI to participate in such trips and activities you agree you will not make a claim against KAI, its related companies or its personnel or sue for bodily injury, emotional trauma, death, property loss or damage or other loss, cost, or expense, however caused, as a result of or related to your contracting for, travelling to or from, or in any and every other way participating in the trip. You release KAI, its related companies, and its personnel from any and all claims, known or unknown, arising from contracting for, traveling to or from, and in any and every way participating in a trip. This release of liability and assumption of risk agreement is entered into on behalf of you and all members of your family and party, also including minors. This agreement also binds your heirs, legal representatives, and assigns.

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# *Estimated Trip Costs: Students and Chaperones*

	Estimated Per Person Cost
Students— Quad Room (Only Option)	\$1,700/person
Chaperone— Double Room w/ another Chap (Most Common Option)	\$1,900/person
Chaperone— Single Room	\$2,300/person

1. These costs based on 100 students and 10 chaperones. Final trip cost will **depend upon the number of travelers.**
2. The Carnegie Hall Performance Fee is \$60,000 (at a negotiated discount.)
3. **Final Payment will vary.**
4. Payments are **non-refundable.**
5. Registration requires **full payment** on the payment schedule, even if an individual's plans change.
6. **Trip Insurance Highly Recommended** at an additional cost of \$81 (\$102 for Single Room Chaperones)/
7. Bring additional \$30-50/day for lunches and personal spending—cash only, no credit cards.



# Included in the Costs: Students and Chaps

- Round trip motor coach transportation, driver's rooms and gratuities
- 3 nights hotel accommodations with interior corridors (quad occupancy--students)
- Participation in Director's Choice Elite Performance Series at Carnegie Hall
- Professional tour director
- Broadway show
- Private hotel security
- 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 3 dinners, 1 reception
- All admissions, entrance fees, taxes and gratuities (except for 2 chap group lunches)
- Lanyard, luggage tag, and a group photo

# *Estimated Trip Costs:* Registration/Payment Deadlines for Students and Chaperones

**Payment Deadlines - 6 pm on the following days:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Deposit/Payment 1 – 6:00pm, Sunday, Sept. 18 (Students Only, Chaperones 1 <sup>st</sup> Deadline TBA)	\$600.00
Payment 2 - Sunday, Oct. 16	\$400.00
Payment 3 - Sunday, Nov. 20	\$400.00
Payment 4 - Sunday, Jan. 15	TBD—Balance Due

# *Estimated Trip Costs: Alums and “Fan Package”*

	Estimated Cost
Alumni Performer Fee	\$600.00/performer
Fan Package: Quad	\$321.00/person
Fan Package: Triple	\$344.00/person
Fan Package: Double	\$389.00/person
Fan Package: Single	\$524.00/person

1. Fan Packages offered directly through Kaleidoscope Adventures.
2. Fan package includes 1 night hotel-- Sheraton Times Square (or similar), Private Langley Post-concert Reception at the Hard Rock Café, and a Premium ticket to the concert.
3. Email [LangleyOrchestraTrip@gmail.com](mailto:LangleyOrchestraTrip@gmail.com) ASAP, if interested.
4. The final per person trip cost **depends upon the number of participants.**



# Scholarship Opportunities

- There may be a few opportunities for an outside scholarship to help students who have financial need
- Since financial need information is kept confidential by FCPS, the Trip Committee does not get involved.
- Contact Doc if your child has a need for financial assistance



# Required Forms: Code of Conduct

## Orchestra Code of Conduct

This is a school-sponsored trip. All rules and regulations of FCPS (as set forth in the FCPS Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook), Langley HS, and Langley Orchestra will be in effect during the entirety of this trip. Orchestra members are required to display proper respect toward all persons at all times, including school administrators, chaperones, fellow orchestra members and the public. Each orchestra member is reminded that, during the trip, you are representing yourself, FCPS, Langley High School, Langley Orchestra and Dr. McCormick. We expect you to make decisions with this in mind.

This includes, but is not limited to, all FCPS and Langley HS rules and regulations pertaining to disruptive behavior, bullying, cyber-bullying, harassment, dress code, bus conduct, use of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, inhalants, or possession of weapons. In addition, no students of the opposite gender may be in the same hotel room at any time. Violations of any of these rules will not be tolerated and will result in disciplinary consequences.

## Expectations Contract

Fairfax County Public Schools' Rules and Regulations will be in effect during this trip. Violations of these rules will not be permitted and will result in disciplinary action taken by Langley High School Administration.

My child, \_\_\_\_\_, and I understand and agree to the behavioral and musical expectations while on the trip.

- Proper Respect Toward All Persons Always—including fellow orchestra members, chaperones, school staff, and the public.
- All FCPS Rules, Regulations, and Disciplinary Sanctions Apply.
- No students of the opposite gender may be in the same hotel room at any time.
- We plan to travel with a school administrator, as usual.
- If your child is involved in behavior that negatively affects the trip experience for others, **you may be required to immediately come to NYC to retrieve your child.** (This also may be the case if your child becomes ill while traveling.)

# Required Forms: Others

## Sign Up To Receive Trip Communications

- You will receive notification of how to do this once we know who the participants are
- We will **need immediate sign up at that time**

## REQUIRED FCPS (download, print and send with Student by **11/1**)

- Field Trip Permission Form (FS152)
  - [https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/fs152\\_0.pdf](https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/fs152_0.pdf)
- Emergency Care Information for Students (SS/SE-3)
  - [https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/se3\\_0.pdf](https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/se3_0.pdf)
- Health Information (SS/SE-71)
  - <https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/se71.pdf>
- Field Trip Luggage Search (FS 143)
  - <https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/fs143.pdf>

## OPTIONAL FCPS (download, print and send with Student by **11/1**)

- Medication Authorization (SS/SE-63)
  - <http://www.edisonband.org/docs/se63.pdf>
- Epinephrine Authorization (SS/SE-64)
  - <https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/se64.pdf>
- Inhaler Authorization (SS/SE-65)
  - <https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/se65.pdf>

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**PARENTAL AUTHORIZATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK FOR FIELD TRIP**  
(This form and an attached itinerary description are required for all field trips.)

IMPORTANT DIRECTIONS: (1) Use one form per trip, (2) Complete the school portion (top half) of form, (3) Duplicate one form per student, and (4) Send a copy home for parent and student signatures.

**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SCHOOL**

Date(s) of Trip \_\_\_\_\_ Destination \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose \_\_\_\_\_

**SUPERVISION** (Check one.)

Students will be directly supervised by adults on this trip at all times

Students will be directly supervised by adults on this trip with the following exceptions \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**TRANSPORTATION BEING PROVIDED** (Check all that apply.)

Walking  School Bus  Commercial Carrier  Personal Vehicle

Leased Vehicle  County Vehicle  None

**DRIVERS OF PRIVATE OR LEASED VEHICLES** (Check all that apply.)

Student  Parent  Teacher or Staff Member  Other Adult

**VEHICLE TYPE** (Check all that apply.)

Car  Van (10 passenger or less)  SUV  Other \_\_\_\_\_ (Specify)

\_\_\_\_\_

**RISK RELATED** (Check all that apply.)

Swimming Pool  Amusement or Theme Park  Beach or Ocean  Other \_\_\_\_\_ (List activity)

\_\_\_\_\_

**STOCK EPINEPHRINE** (Check one)  Will be available on this trip  Will not be available on this trip

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**Pupil Agreement**

While participating in this trip, I will accept responsibility for maintaining good conduct and appearance, and I will follow directions at all times.

Signature of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**PARENTAL AUTHORIZATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISKS**

I understand that participation in this trip is voluntary, that it is not required, and that it exposes my child to some risk(s). I also understand that the trip may include amusement activities and that participation in any amusement activities will expose my child to some risk of injury or even death. I have read and understand the the itinerary and authorize my child to participate in the planned components of the trip to the extent indicated by my signature below. I also understand that participation in the trip will involve activities off school property; therefore, neither the Fairfax County School Board, or its employees and volunteers, will have any responsibility for the condition or use of any nonschool property.

**PARENT PERMISSION** (Check all that apply.)

Participation in all aspects of this trip.

Participation in all aspects of this trip, except the amusement and theme park activities.

Participation in all aspects of this trip, except the water-related activities.

Other \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in this field trip.

**TO BE COMPLETED AT HOME**

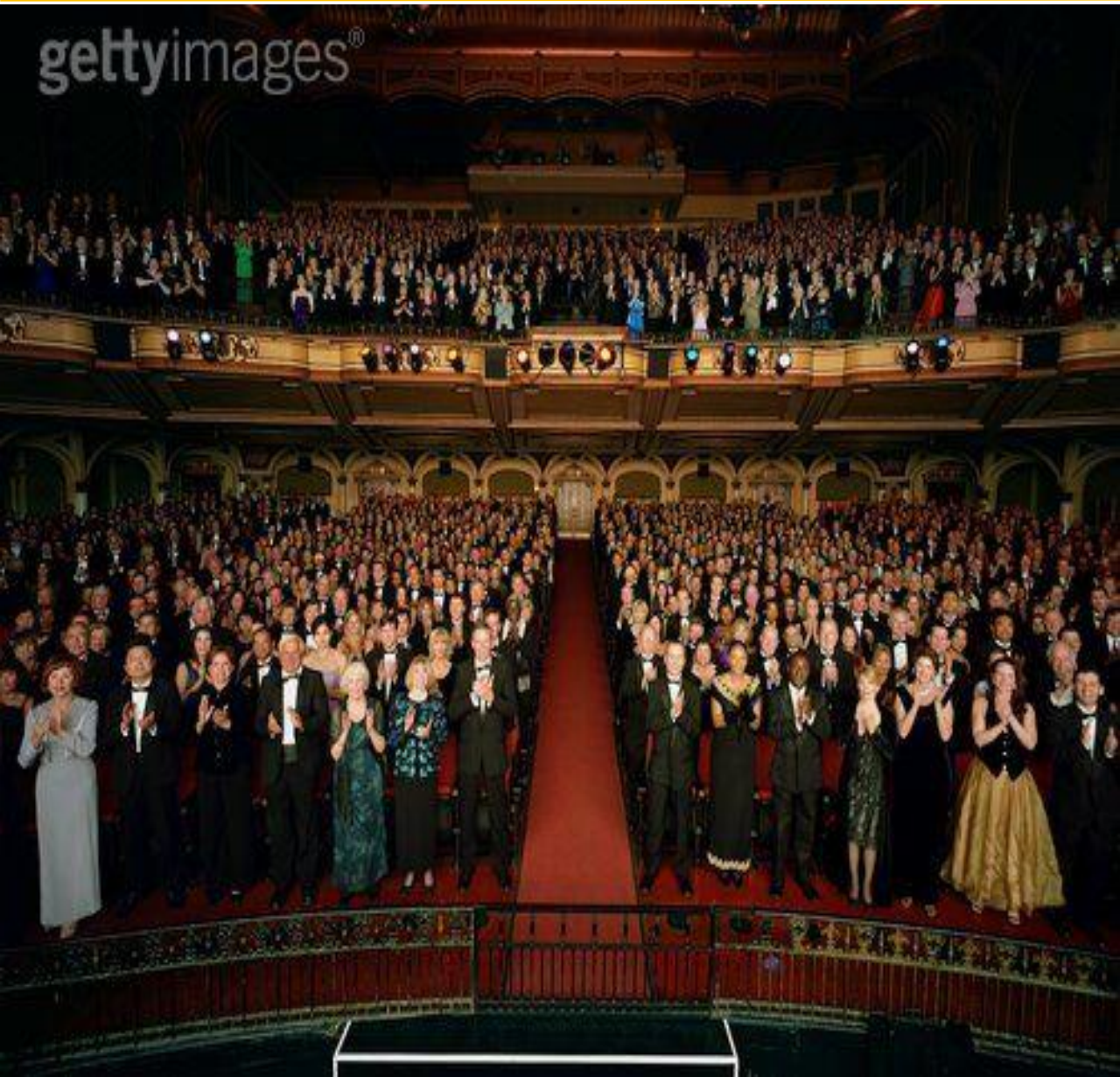
# Please Don't Register Your Child If...

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1. You can't come and pick them up in NYC if there is a serious problem;
2. You either can't commit to paying the full amount, even if your child's plans change, OR;
3. You don't purchase optional travel insurance.

# Please DO Register Your Child If...



1. You want them to have fabulous high school memories;
2. You want them to advance both their cultural exposure and social skills;
3. You want them to practice doing big things semi-independently;
4. You want something great for their resume;
5. You want them to experience a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity doing something they love!



# Friendly Disclaimers & More

1. More details to come
2. Some details may change
3. We are volunteers
4. I need help and one or two people to shadow me now for next year's trip (chaps preferred, but not required)

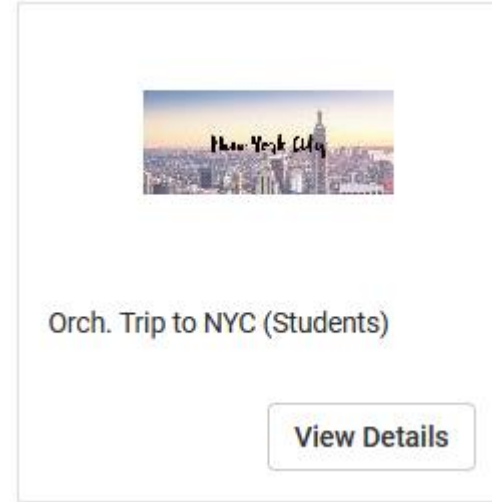
**Questions?**

# Next Steps

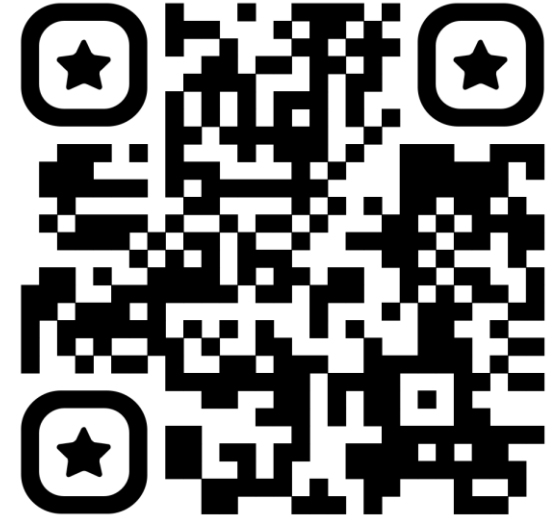
## (by 6pm Sunday, Sept. 18)

1. Pay Deposit at MySchoolBucks.com
2. Register using WeTravel
  - <https://www.wetravel.com/trips/-11041033>
  - Use Registration Instruction Sheet
  - Watch Registration Instruction Video
  - Be sure to select and pay for
    - Travel Insurance, if choosing
3. Email [LangleyOrchestraTrip@gmail.com](mailto:LangleyOrchestraTrip@gmail.com):
  - To express interest in chaperoning
  - To inquire about Alum or Fan Travel
  - With any other questions
4. Find this presentation at [www.LangleyOrchestra.org](http://www.LangleyOrchestra.org)

www.MySchoolBucks.com



Registration Instruction Video



Langley's Registration Page



Register on We Travel

