

MEMO

Date: September 4, 2019

To: Heath Quiles, Jim Franchini

From: Mike Blostein

RE: Change in first day of scheduled overnight trip for the APHS Music program

Although our overnight trip to Washington, D.C. was approved for 2 nights (March 27 and 28), we would like to add a third night (Thursday, March 26).

The Festival company, Festivals of Music, is not offering Saturday morning performance times for participating ensembles, as was originally anticipated. This means we will be required to perform on Friday, March 27, at the latest in the early afternoon.

With Washington, D.C. being a minimum 8-hour journey, we feel that leaving Thursday after school and arriving at the hotel late will allow the students to have a good night's rest, prior to a significant performance. Our only other option will be to leave at a very early hour in the morning, travelling by bus directly to the performance.

We appreciate that this type of change adds a cost to the trip, which we are working on containing as much as possible. In addition, we understand these trips are a significant event that our music program is known for, and would like to see our level of success continue.

Many thanks for your understanding, and we are glad to answer any questions you may have.