



**Lakota West High School
Performance Tour of New York City
Including Participation in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade
November 25 – 30, 2013**

The following itinerary provides an overview of your tour events and timings.
****It is important to understand that times and activities are subject to change before or during the tour.**

Working Itinerary

September 27, 2013

Monday, November 25, 2013

5:00 am Depart Lakota West High School to begin your journey to New York. (Approximate drive time is 11 ½ hours without stops, 625 miles.)

Lunch Pack a lunch to eat on the bus.

Approx. 6:30 pm Welcome to New York! Upon arrival, meet your Gateway Tour Managers.

7:00 pm Group dinner at the Heartland at the Empire State Building or at HB Burger
Menu items, served family style: Field of greens salad with herb croutons, herb crusted chicken tenders with ranch dipping sauce, penne pasta with marinara sauce, sweet potato fries and mashed potatoes, with platters of cookies and brownies, and unlimited soft drinks

Group 1 (Bus 1, 2, 3): Group dinner at the Heartland Restaurant
Group 2 (Bus 4, 5, 6): Group dinner at HB Burger

Empire State Building

For your introduction to New York City, travel up to the 86th floor observatory of the Empire State Building, nearly 1,100 feet above ground, where you can see all of New York City as well as four neighboring states.

8:30 pm Group 1 (Bus 1, 2, 3): Walk into the Empire State Building lobby to ride up to the observatory.
Group 2 (Bus 4, 5, 6): Load coaches and depart for the Empire State Building.

9:00 pm Group 2 (Bus 4, 5, 6): Visit the Empire State Building.

9:45 pm Group 1 (Bus 1, 2, 3): Depart for the hotel.

10:15 pm Group 2 (Bus 4, 5, 6): Depart for the hotel.

Hotel Your Gateway Tour Managers will assist with hotel check-in.

Sheraton Lincoln Harbor

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Pool hours: 7:30 am - 11:00 pm; Website: www.sheratonlincolnharbor.com



Tuesday, November 26, 2013

- 6:30 am** Bus 1 and 2: Meet in the hotel lobby and walk to Subway for breakfast.
7:00 am Bus 3 and 4: Meet in the hotel lobby and walk to Subway for breakfast.
7:30 am Bus 5 and 6: Meet in the hotel lobby and walk to Subway for breakfast.
- 8:15 am** Bus 1 and 2: Meet in the hotel lobby and walk to the waterfront to board your cruise.
8:25 am Bus 3 and 4: Meet in the hotel lobby and walk to the waterfront to board your cruise.
8:35 am Bus 5 and 6: Meet in the hotel lobby and walk to the waterfront to board your cruise.
- Cruise** Experience magnificent views along the Hudson River as guides take you on a cruise through New York Harbor (one guide per boat). The tour includes views of the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, Governors Island, the Brooklyn Bridge and Financial District.
- 9:30 am** Bus 1 and 2: Return to hotel and prepare for rehearsal.
9:40 am Bus 3 and 4: Return to hotel and prepare for rehearsal.
9:50 am Bus 5 and 6: Return to hotel and prepare for rehearsal.
- 10:00 am** Rehearse in the hotel parking lot (60 minutes).
- Approx.**
11:30 am Depart for Times Square for lunch on your own.
- “Experience
The Ride”** Board a special motorcoach with stadium seating for a ride along Manhattan with street entertainment and witness the excitement of New York City.
- Madame Tussauds** Madame Tussauds Wax Museum features over 220 life-like wax figures. Visit the many galleries with Hollywood stars, pop stars, historical figures, political leaders, sports celebrities, and more.

	Group 1 (36 people)	Group 2 (49 people)	Group 3 (49 people)	Group 4 (48 people)	Group 5 (49 people)	Group 6 (49 people)	Group 7 (37 people)
12:00 pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Visit Madame Tussauds	Visit Madame Tussauds	Lunch	Lunch
1:45 pm	Meet at Madame Tussauds			Lunch	Lunch	Visit Madame Tussauds	Visit Madame Tussauds
2:00 pm	Board THE RIDE	Meet at Madame Tussauds					
2:15 pm		Board THE RIDE	Meet at Madame Tussauds				
2:30 pm			Board THE RIDE	Meet at Madame Tussauds			
2:45 pm				Board THE RIDE			
3:15 pm	RIDE ends, visit museum				Meet at Madame Tussauds		
3:30 pm		RIDE ends, visit museum			Board THE RIDE	Meet at Madame Tussauds	
3:45 pm			RIDE ends, visit museum			Board THE RIDE	Meet at Madame Tussauds
4:00 pm				RIDE ends, free time in Times Square			Board THE RIDE
4:30 pm							
4:45 pm					RIDE ends, free time in Times Square		
5:00 pm						RIDE ends	
5:15 pm	Walk to Dallas BBQ	Walk to Dallas BBQ	Walk to Dallas BBQ	Walk to Dallas BBQ	Walk to Dallas BBQ	Walk to Dallas BBQ	RIDE ends, walk to Dallas BBQ

5:30 pm

Group dinner at Dallas Barbeque in Times Square

Menu: Chicken and Baby Back Ribs combo platter with French fries, corn bread, coleslaw, dessert, and unlimited soda. Vegetarian options available upon advance request.



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- 6:30 pm** Walk from Dallas Barbeque to your Broadway show. All theatres are located within a five minute walk from the restaurant.
- 7:00 pm** *Phantom* begins at the Majestic Theatre, 247 West 44th Street (140 people).
(Estimated running time: 2 hours and 30 minutes, including intermission)
- 7:00 pm** *Lion King!* begins at the Minskoff Theatre, 200 West 45th Street (126 people).
(Estimated running time: 2 hours and 30 minutes, including intermission)
- 7:30 pm** *Spiderman* begins at the Foxwoods Theatre, 213 West 42nd Street (52 people).
(Estimated running time: 2 hours and 30 minutes, including intermission)
- Approx.
10:00 pm** Depart for the hotel.



Wednesday, November 27, 2013

6:00 am	Bus 5 and 6: Meet in the hotel lobby and walk to Subway for breakfast.
6:30 am	Bus 3 and 4: Meet in the hotel lobby and walk to Subway for breakfast.
7:00 am	Bus 1 and 2: Meet in the hotel lobby and walk to Subway for breakfast.
8:00 am	Depart for Manhattan.
8:45 am	Meet your licensed New York City guides who will join you on your coaches and narrate your tour as you explore the different neighborhoods and sights of this amazing city. Some sights you are sure to see include St. Patrick's Cathedral, Little Italy and Chinatown, Battery Park and Ground Zero.
Approx. 12:00 pm	Eat lunch on your own in Chinatown or Little Italy.
Shopping or Exploring	Enjoy free time to shop around Chinatown and Little Italy.
2:30 pm	Group 1 (Bus 4, 5, and 6): Depart for the 9/11 Memorial.
3:00 pm	Group 2 (Bus 1, 2, and 3): Depart for the 9/11 Memorial.
9/11 Memorial	Visit the site of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States. The names of the nearly 3,000 victims are inscribed on bronze panels lining the two pools. Waterfalls cascade down all four sides of each pool, creating a special place for remembrance and reflection. The surrounding plaza is filled with oak trees and a callery pear known as the Survivor Tree, which was nursed back to health after surviving the 9/11 attacks.
3:00 pm	Group 1: Reservation time at the 9/11 Memorial (Bus 4, 5, and 6)
3:30 pm	Group 2: Reservation time at the 9/11 Memorial (Bus 1, 2, and 3)
4:30 pm	Group 1: Dinner at Fino Ristorante Italiano (Bus 4, 5, and 6) Menu: House salad, chicken parmesan with pasta, chocolate cake and unlimited sodas, coffee and tea
6:00 pm	Group 2: Dinner at Fino Ristorante Italiano (Bus 1, 2, and 3)
Hotel	Return to the hotel for early bed checks.



Thursday, November 28, 2013 – Happy Thanksgiving

Approx.

2:00 am

Depart the hotel during the wee hours of the morning for rehearsal in front of Macy's department store.

5:30 am

Group breakfast at Tick Tock Diner and Cooper's Tavern

Menu: Scrambled eggs, crispy bacon and sausage links, assorted cold cereals and milk, buttermilk pancakes and syrup

Bus 1 and 2: Group breakfast at Cooper's Tavern

Bus 3, 4, 5, and 6: Group breakfast at Tick Tock Diner

TBD

Depart for parade line-up.

**♪ Macy's
Thanksgiving Day
Parade**

March in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. The parade starts at 77th Street and Central Park West, and ends at Macy's on 34th Street and 6th Avenue.

Lunch

A Subway boxed lunch will be provided after the parade.

Hotel time

Mandatory downtime at the hotel this afternoon

5:30 pm

Depart for Liberty House Restaurant.

6:00 pm

Thanksgiving Dinner with DJ dance at the Liberty House Restaurant

Menu: Freshly baked corn bread and biscuits, traditional fresh Vermont turkey, bourbon glazed ham, stuffing, mashed sweet potatoes, green beans, Caesar salad, natural turkey gravy, cranberry sauce, pumpkin pie with whipped cream, unlimited soda, coffee, tea or juice

Approx.

9:30 pm

Depart for the hotel.

Friday, November 29, 2013

- 7:00 am** Buffet breakfast at the hotel
Menu: Croissants, assorted sliced breads and bagels, preserves, cream cheese and butter, scrambled eggs with chives, home fried potatoes, sausage or bacon, fresh whole fruit, assorted cold cereals with milk, freshly squeezed orange and grapefruit juice, freshly brewed regular and decaffeinated coffee and regular, decaffeinated and herbal teas
- Check out** Check out of your hotel this morning. Your Gateway tour managers will assist with check out logistics.
- 8:30 am** Transfer to Liberty Park in New Jersey this morning where you will take a ferry to Liberty Island. The Statue of Liberty was a gift from France, dedicated on October 28, 1886, was designated as a National Monument in 1924 and restored for her centennial on July 4, 1986.
Please note: Local coaches will pick up from Battery Park so you will not have access to your group buses until after the Rockettes show this evening.
- Approx. 10:00 am** Group photo in front of the Statue of Liberty
- Lunch** On your own at Liberty Island
- 12:45 pm** Line up to board the ferry for Battery Park.
- Approx. 1:30 pm** Arrive at Battery Park and board local coaches. Depart for midtown Manhattan.
- Central Park** Enjoy free time at Central Park between today's activities. Take a walk and see many of the popular sights, such as Strawberry Fields, the statue of Balto, the famous sled dog, the many bridges and scenic ponds, or take a horse carriage tour through the park (carriage fee not included).
- Free time** Shopping in New York is a special experience and a couple of the places you should not miss include: Macy's department store and their beautiful Christmas window displays and the Toys-R-Us store which has a three-story ferris wheel.
- 4:30 pm** Depart for Naples 45.
- 5:00 pm** Group dinner at Naples 45
Menu (served family style): Crisp tossed mixed green salad, Naples cheese and tomato pizza, pepperoni pizza, cannoli with unlimited soft drinks
- 6:00 pm** Walk together to Radio City Music Hall, located 0.7 miles away (about a 15 minute walk).
- 7:00 pm** Attend the Radio City Christmas Spectacular – America's most beloved holiday show starring the world-famous Rockettes.
(Estimated running time: 1 hour and 30 minutes)
- Approx. 9:00 pm** Board your group coaches and depart for Times Square.
- 9:30 pm** Group photo in Times Square
- 10:00 pm** Depart for Ohio.



Saturday, November 30, 2013

**Approx.
8:30 am**

Arrive at Lakota West High School this morning.