\*\*IMPORTANT TRIP INFORMATION\*\*

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our Dollywood trip is fast approaching. I want to answer some questions about the trip and clarify some things.

**UPDATED RETURN TIME**

The latest estimate I have for our return to Greendale is **10:30 PM**. Please be in the car rider line at school at that time to pick up your child. I will update our return time through **Remind** on the day of the trip. If you haven’t signed up for **Remind**, please do so immediately. Text “**@gdalechoir**” to **81010**.

**SEASON PASSES**

Regarding Dollywood season passes, your child may bring his or her season pass on the trip to use in place of the ticket you purchased from Greendale. If you have not already let me know that your child will be using a season pass, please do so by **Friday, March 24th**. The pass **must** be turned in to me **before** we leave Greendale on the day of the trip for safe keeping. If your child uses his or her season pass, Greendale will refund a portion of your Dollywood payment. **Failure to notify me by March 24th that your child will be using a season pass will result in a loss of your refund, regardless of whether or not they use their season pass on the trip.**

**STUDENT SIGN-OUT**

If you are planning on coming to Pigeon Forge to see the choir perform and/or spend time with your child in Dollywood, I will have a **student sign-out sheet** for you to sign. There will be three opportunities for you to sign out your child: before we leave the performance venue to go to lunch, when we first enter Dollywood, and after the awards ceremony right before we leave Dollywood. Your signature on the sign out sheet indicates that you have **released** Greendale Elementary, myself, and the trip chaperones from **any supervision expectations for the remainder of the trip**. You may also meet us at the performance venue that morning, if your family is already in Pigeon Forge for the weekend. Please bring your child to **Northview Academy** (2729 Northview Academy Way, Kodak, TN 37764) **no later than 9:00 AM** that morning.

In any case, **all** students are required to attend the **Awards Ceremony** that evening at **7:30 PM** at the **Pines Theater** inside Dollywood, regardless of whether or not they have been “signed out.” If you plan on signing your child out once we’re in the park, or if you plan on meeting us at the performance venue that morning, **please let me know by the end of this week.**

**T-SHIRTS**

I will be purchasing each choir member and trip chaperone a **choir trip t-shirt**. The order for these shirts will be placed soon, using sizes provided to me from your child’s polo shirt order. If your child’s shirt size has changed, please let me know **immediately**. I will also be placing the **performance polo shirt** order for new students at that time.

**CHAPERONES**

If you are a chaperone on the trip, and you have not yet paid, please do so **immediately**. The cost per chaperone is **$50**, which is less than the cost of a regular day pass into Dollywood. Trip chaperones will be in charge of **no more than 6 students** in the park. There will be a **chaperone meeting** after choir on **Tuesday, March 28th**.

Thank you for your support of the Greendale Choir. I am excited to bring this fine group of singers to competition. If you have any questions regarding the Dollywood trip, please contact me by phone (**276 – 739 – 3500**), through Remind (**@gdalechoir**) or by email (**bfore@wcs.k12.va.us**).

Sincerely,

Bradley A. Fore

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