

# BAGGAGE & INSTRUMENT INFORMATION

Hello Band Trippers!

There has been a change in how we're bringing our instruments on the trip. Disney **WILL** pick up our checked instruments (the ones that fly under the plane and are not carry-ons) from baggage claim and deliver them to our rooms. This is a great convenience, because we won't have to carry large instruments all over the airport on our way to catch the Magical Express.

However, Disney cannot accept responsibility for damage to the instruments that they handle. Therefore, students/parents will have a choice in the matter. The directors have decided that all school-owned instruments will be tagged and handled by Disney. Whether or not to tag and allow Disney to handle personally-owned instruments will be up to students and parents. *Instruments that are not tagged to be handled by Disney will have to be retrieved and handled by students.* American flyers will not have special Disney tags, but Southwest flyers will.

Please review and adhere to the following guidelines when packing:

## American flyers arrive to DFW Airport

- Pack **ONE** carry-on bag that will fly free with you. The carry-on must fit the dimensions listed in the travel packet. You may also bring one small personal item (purse or drawstring backpack).
- Do not check bags.
- Sticks and mallets must be in your carry-on, or count as your personal item.
- Anything you need that won't fit in your bag should travel in the suitcase of a Southwest flyer.

## Southwest flyers arrive to Dallas Love Field Airport

- Pack **ONE** bag to check at the airport. The checked bag must fit the dimensions listed in the travel packet. You may also bring **ONE** small carry-on and **ONE** personal item (purse or drawstring backpack).
- You must also bring your instrument to the airport. Use the following guidelines:
  - Flutes and clarinets will be packed in your checked bag.
  - Personally-owned saxophones, trumpets and trombones will either be tagged with a Disney tag in advance (at school) or handled by the student after it is picked up at baggage claim. Southwest may allow alto saxophones and trumpets to count as a carry-on item.
  - School owned saxophones, trumpets, French horns, trombones, baritones and tubas will be tagged with the Disney tag and handled by them.
- Baggage fees incurred due to oversized instruments will be covered by the band boosters. Oversized suitcases **are not allowed**.
- Disney tagged bags and instruments will all be picked up from the airport by Disney, and delivered to hotel rooms while we are at the park the first day.