

**Code of Conduct  
Hutchinson Middle School Band and Choir  
Spring Trip – May 13, 2016**

**STATEMENT OF INTENT:**

Students will be traveling to San Antonio for their spring trip on May 13, 2016. All students need to be aware that they are representing the city of Lubbock, Hutchinson Middle School, and the Lubbock Independent School District. As such, students need to be aware that their conduct during the entire trip will be on display.

**BUS BEHAVIOR:** Students need to be aware that sharing a bus for several hours is, at the best of times, difficult.

- Students will respect the drivers, and follow their directives.
- Students will respect and follow the rules set by the chaperones
- Students will pick up their own garbage.
- Students WILL respect the boundaries set by the people they are sharing a bus with. Students are responsible for all their personal items.

**PARK BEHAVIOR:**

There is plenty to do at Six Flags Fiesta Texas. There is no need to get into trouble. Students will travel in groups of three or more at all times within the park. They will have specific check in times and spots and will be in communication with directors through REMIND.

**SHOPLIFTING:**

There are plain-clothes policemen on duty in the Six Flags park as well as surveillance cameras. If you shoplift, you will be arrested. Parents with children who are arrested will be contacted and expected to arrange transportation for their child back to Lubbock. Band or Choir students who shoplift will be removed from the program following our return to Lubbock, as well as being disciplined by the district. This is not negotiable. There is nothing in San Antonio that you cannot get online.

**ILLEGAL DRUGS AND ALCOHOL:** Students who use illegal drugs and/or alcohol will first have to deal with the local police force. It is also likely that the student's parent or guardian will have to travel to San Antonio to have their student released from police custody. Following their return to Lubbock, students will be removed from the band/choir program in addition to spending time in the Lubbock ISD alternative school.

**CHAPERONES:** Chaperones bear much of the responsibility and stress of the trip. Therefore:

- When a chaperone speaks, the student may consider that they are speaking on behalf of the band directors. If you have a problem with the chaperone, speak to a band director. If you argue with the chaperone, you will be disciplined.
- Chaperones are not baggage holders, they are not valets, and they are not there to ruin your trip. If you get in trouble because you misbehaved in front of a chaperone, consider that **you** were the one to misbehave.
- Chaperones are not band or choir directors; however, when given directives from the directors, chaperones speak with our voices. In emergencies, chaperones can make decisions regarding students. **DO NOT** ask chaperones to break rules for you.
- Chaperones can be your best friends on this trip, or your worst enemies. You will make the decision as to which.

**All relevant school rules apply.** See the Lubbock ISD code of conduct on the Lubbock ISD website if you have any questions or concerns.

**THERE IS NEVER ANY JUSTIFICATION FOR BAD BEHAVIOR!!**

**Guideline, not a rule:** The directors on this trip are responsible for getting 130 students and several chaperones to and from San Antonio with instruments, uniforms, medicine, paperwork, cash, music, etc. Please be patient, polite and on your best behavior at all times.

The directors recognize that kids will be kids. Having said that, we also recognize that students can and will act to our expectations. As faculty members at Hutchinson, we set our expectations very high. We believe without reservation that we work with the best students in Lubbock. Our expectations reflect that belief.

Please sign the second page and return by Wednesday, May 11, 2016.

**Code of Conduct Signature Page**  
**THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED BY MAY 11, 2016.**

Student Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the Code of Conduct for THE HUTCHINSON BAND AND CHOIR spring trip and will abide by the rules set down by the band directors and the LUBBOCK Independent School District.

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

  

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Parent Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the Code of Conduct for the HUTCHINSON BAND AND CHOIR spring trip and understand that my child is expected to follow the rules set down by the directors.

I also understand that I may be required to provide transportation back to Lubbock for my child should he/she break the rules that have been clearly outlined.

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_