



NAPLES HIGH SCHOOL BAND
VINCENT LAZ, DIRECTOR
DESTINATION: PIGEON FORGE, TN
DATES: MARCH 30-APRIL 3, 2027

SUGGESTED ITINERARY
AS OF
JULY 26, 2027
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TUESDAY, MARCH 30

- 5:00 AM **One 56-passenger motor coach** arrives at **Naples High School**; begin loading
1100 Golden Eagle Circle, Naples, FL 34102
- 5:30 AM Depart for **Gatlinburg, TN** (867 miles; 15 hours allotted for drive time, plus 2 hours
for lunch and dinner (student cost) and driver breaks)
- 10:30 PM Arrive in **Gatlinburg, TN** at a **Gatlinburg area hotel**
- ~ Meet your Professional BRT Tour Director at the hotel ~**
- 11:00 PM Check in and rest
- ~ 1 private nighttime security chaperone at the hotel 10:30pm – 5:30am ~**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

- 8:00 AM Enjoy breakfast at the hotel
- 9:00 AM Load motor coach; depart for **Pigeon Forge Snow**
2533 Teaster Lane, Pigeon Forge, TN 37863
- 9:30 AM Enjoy indoor snow tubing at **Pigeon Forge Snow**
The only indoor snow tubing park in the country! Enjoy snow tubing and time to play in real snow inside a building kept at 60-70 degrees. Get a behind-the-scenes look at how their snow is made and blown onto their slopes.
- 11:00 AM Load motor coach; depart for **The Island**
131 The Island Drive, Pigeon Forge, TN 37863
- 11:15 AM Enjoy lunch (student cost) and time to explore **The Island**
Explore this terrific shopping and entertainment complex with more than sixty retail and specialty shops, rides and games, dancing fountains, live music, attractions and much more. (attractions are student cost)
- 1:00 PM Load motor coach; depart for **Anakeesta**
576 Parkway, Gatlinburg, TN 37738
- 1:30 PM Enjoy the afternoon at **Anakeesta**
*Ride to Anakeesta via the scenic Chondola or Ridge Rambler and enjoy a whimsical mountain atmosphere in Firefly Village. Stroll along the 14-bridge Treetop Skywalk and climb AnaVista Tower, the highest point in downtown Gatlinburg for 360° views of the Smokies. Discover TreeVenture, an interactive challenge course perched on the mountainside. **Your ticket includes a ride on the Rail Runner mountain coaster!***
- 6:00 PM Load motor coach; depart for **Bennett's Pit Bar-B-Que**
714 River Road, Gatlinburg, TN 37738
- 6:30 PM Enjoy a group dinner at **Bennett's Pit Bar-B-Que**
Award-winning BBQ with entrée choices including beef brisket, chicken tenders, baby back ribs, pulled pork, and more!
- 8:00 PM Load motor coach; depart for the hotel

~ 1 private nighttime security chaperone at the hotel 10:30pm – 5:30am ~

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

8:00 AM Enjoy breakfast at the hotel

9:00 AM Load motor coach; depart for **Dollywood**
2700 Dollywood Parks Blvd, Pigeon Forge, TN 37863

10:00 AM Enjoy your day at **Dollywood**
Unique as its namesake Dolly Parton, Dollywood theme park is a one-of-a-kind Smoky Mountain Family Adventure! Enjoy amusement park rides that span from chill to thrill. Dollywood's live entertainment showcases the best in country, bluegrass, mountain and gospel music with more than a dozen stage shows. Master craftsmen demonstrate centuries-old crafts including blacksmithing, glass blowing and wood carving.

PM Enjoy lunch in the park (student cost)

Check out: **Lightning Rod:** Themed after a tricked-out 1950s-era hot rod, Lightning Rod launches riders from zero to 45mph up its lift hill before racing down a 165-foot drop to a top speed of 73mph!

Wild Eagle: America's first wing coaster is perched 21 stories above Dollywood where you feel like you're soaring high above the Smoky Mountains. There is nothing but air above and below you!

PM Enjoy dinner in the park (**\$25 meal voucher provided**)

8:00 PM Load motor coach; depart for the hotel

~ 1 private nighttime security chaperone at the hotel 10:30pm – 5:30am ~

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

**Today's schedule is TBD by Smoky Mountain Music Festival*

- 7:30 AM Enjoy breakfast at the hotel
- 8:30 AM Load motor coach; depart for **Sugarlands Visitor Center**
107 Park Headquarters Road, Gatlinburg, TN 37738
- 9:00 AM Meet 1 step-on guide; depart on a guided tour of **Smoky Mountain National Park**
Ride by bus through Great Smoky Mountain National Park to Newfound Gap, while hearing stories of its history and its inhabitants.
- 12:00 PM Drop off guide at the **Sugarlands Visitor Center**; depart for **Gatlinburg Convention Center** (motor coach pulls up to the side of the convention center on Airport Road to drop off group and park at the hotel; no outside food or drinks are allowed inside)
234 Airport Road, Gatlinburg, TN 37738
- PM Enjoy lunch in the **Downtown Gatlinburg area** (student cost)
- PM Enjoy time to explore **Downtown Gatlinburg** or watch other performing ensembles at the **Smoky Mountain Music Festival** in the **Gatlinburg Convention Center**
Enjoy shopping for that perfect souvenir or the unique attractions and museums along the strip. (student cost)

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| PM | Indoor Guard meet motor coaches at the Gatlinburg Convention Center to get equipment; check in and warm up |
| PM | Naples High School Indoor Guard performs in the Ballroom at the Smoky Mountain Music Festival (group brings sound system) |
| PM | Concert Band meet motor coaches at the Gatlinburg Convention Center to get equipment; check in and warm up |
| PM | Naples High School Concert Band performs in the Ballroom at the Smoky Mountain Music Festival (group brings mallets) |

- PM Enjoy dinner on your own in **Downtown Gatlinburg** (\$25 Jassby gift card provided – funds expire 30 days after the trip)
- PM Walk as a group to the **Gatlinburg Convention Center**

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| PM | Smoky Mountain Music Festival Awards Ceremony in the Ballroom |
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- PM Load motor coach; depart for your hotel

~ 1 private nighttime security chaperone at the hotel 10:30pm – 5:30am ~

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

- 6:30 AM Check out of the hotel; begin loading motor coach
- 7:00 AM Enjoy a quick breakfast at the hotel
- 7:30 AM Depart for **home** (867 miles; 15 hours allotted for drive time, plus 2 hours for lunch and dinner (student cost) and driver breaks)
- 12:30 AM Approximate arrival at **Naples High School** (on Sunday, April 4)

WELCOME HOME NAPLES HIGH SCHOOL BAND!
THANK YOU FOR TRAVELING WITH BOB ROGERS TRAVEL.
WE HOPE YOU HAVE MADE MANY SPECIAL MEMORIES!