



Qualifications and Criteria for Trip Chaperone Selection

First and foremost, trip chaperones assure the safety of all band members. Chaperones, through their interaction with one another and members of the band, contribute to making the trip educational, enjoyable and memorable. Selection criteria are designed to assure that trip chaperones meet these goals. When all other criteria are equal, preference will be given to parents of Seniors.

1. Be active in NADBP operations as demonstrated through service as a NADBP Officer, Committee Chairperson or Co-Chairperson, Committee Vice-Chairperson or through significant participation in providing operational support to the Band or NADBP activities.
2. Be an active chaperone during the current Band year, chaperoning a sufficient number of events to provide the Band Director and Head Chaperones an opportunity to judge the candidate's performance and suitability for trip chaperone responsibility. Because the Band's activities vary from year-to-year, there are no specific qualifying events.
3. Be familiar with a majority of Band members.
4. Demonstrate the ability to relate to band members and fellow chaperones and a willingness to cooperate and assist during events.
5. Be committed to working as a member of a team and exhibit flexibility with level headedness and sound judgment in all situations.
6. Rapid and effective communication is critical, and chaperones are often dispersed throughout a venue or even at separate locations. Therefore, every trip chaperone is required to have a mobile phone with voice and text messaging service.

Selection process

The Band Director has final authority to approve all trip chaperones. The Head Chaperones are responsible for initiating and managing the selection process. Trip chaperones will be selected at least one month prior to the trip.

1. The Head Chaperones will establish and communicate a date by which NADBP members must nominate themselves in writing to the Head Chaperones as candidates for the trip chaperones
2. The Head Chaperones will compile a list of all candidates who qualify under the criteria listed above.
3. The Band Director, Head Chaperones and NADBP President will review and discuss the candidate's qualifications.
4. Based on the results of the review, the Head Chaperones will propose a recommended list of trip chaperones and alternates to the Band Director.
5. The Band Director may, and will, approve or reject any of the proposed chaperones. If someone is rejected, the Head Chaperones will propose an alternative candidate for approval by the Director. This process will continue until the Director has approved a final list of trip chaperones.
6. The Head Chaperones will notify all candidates if they have or have not been selected for the trip.

North Allegheny High School Bands Trip to Orlando, FL
March 27-April 1, 2012
Chaperone Candidate Information Form

1. How many years have you been a NADBP Chaperone?

2. Have you chaperoned any band extended events or previous trips? If yes, list where and when.

3. What NADBP participation experience have you had? (Committee leadership , officer experience, fundraising committees, other?)

4. What chaperone-related experience have you had with other organizations?

5. Describe a specific experience you have had where you were required to work as a member of a team. What was your specific role, and what did you learn from that experience? *(attach additional sheets if necessary)*

6. Describe a specific experience you have had where you planned a trip or activity, and something unexpected occurred, requiring you to adapt quickly. How did you react, what actions did you take, and what did you learn from the experience? *(attach additional sheets if necessary)*

Candidate Name: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Please return the completed form by **December 23, 2011** to:
Bruce Campbell, 194 Warren Road, Warrendale, PA, 15086;
or send electronically via email to bgcamp@consolidated.net

All applicants will be notified if they have or have not been selected by January 20, 2012