

Rules and Regulations

1. All students must be in their rooms and quiet at the announced curfew time. Only people assigned to a room are allowed in the room.
2. All MSHSL rules apply. This pertains to violations including but not limited to smoking, drinking, and use of other mood altering chemicals.
3. All students are responsible for their luggage, instrument, and other personal possessions. Equipment and other property should **NEVER** be left unattended for any length of time.
4. Treat your surroundings with respect at all times. Pick up after yourselves and each other (“ . . . as clean or cleaner . . .”). Also respect your chaperones, whose word is as good as that of a director.
5. Behavior and appearance should reflect the high standards of the Patriots organization. Yelling, running, or other horseplay is inappropriate. Similarly, all students' dress should reflect good taste and decency.
6. Shoes are to be worn at **all** times.
7. Cell phones should only be used for calling your family, and for contacting Patriots directors and chaperones when warranted. Harassing or prank calls will not be tolerated and will be dealt with appropriately by hotel management and/or Patriots staff.
8. All students are expected to be respectful of the buses, bus environment, bus drivers, and other passengers. This includes keeping the bus clean, watching your noise level, and refraining from "PDAs."
9. Headphones only. Any speakers may only be used in your hotel room, and only then at a volume that cannot be heard outside of the room. Also, iPods are fine, but no laptops or personal DVD players.
10. Attendance at all group functions is mandatory, including but not limited to meals, rehearsals, and activities.
11. No students may participate in any *optional* activities that require a parent's consent/signature, even if a student is a legal adult, unless permission is granted by a director.
12. Gambling and purchasing/transporting fireworks are off-limits, even in places where they may otherwise be legal. The same goes for getting any piercings or tattoos.
13. Do not share trip information that could compromise the group's safety, including sharing hotel name, city, phone and room numbers. And **ALWAYS** travel in groups of 4 or more.

Violations of these rules could result in the loss of privileges, loss of participation in trip activities, or being sent home at your parent's expense.

Directors, staff, and chaperones are working together to make this the best trip possible. Please help make their job easier by following these rules!