

## New York City 2022

Dear Members of the Elida School Board,

It is with great enthusiasm that I would like to propose for your consideration an educational opportunity for members of the Elida High School Vocal Music Department and Musical Theater Department for the 2021-2022 school year.

I am proposing a trip to **New York City for the spring of 2022**. The purpose of the trip would be **educational** with a strong focus in musical theater. I have taken this trip with students several times in the past and have taken many Elida high school students, parents and teachers. I feel that it is one of the best experiences I have offered. This past school year was to be the year we would travel but that was not possible so I am moving the date to the Spring of 2022. We are proposing the dates of [REDACTED] I have gotten a bid from the same company I used last trip as I found them to offer the best price and the best trip. I have included for your perusal a copy of the proposed trip. I am still reviewing the trip and there may be changes as I continue to work with the travel company. All aspects of the tour are in the initial planning stages and are completely open to discussion.

\* The price for this trip is coming in at around \$1842 per person with 4 in a room . This is for flying and three nights lodging. I chose flying as the driving through the night option is no longer offered. That would mean we would spend all day Wednesday and Sunday on a bus with two extra hotel nights. The price of \$1842 per person is for 21-24 participants. I will not let it go beyond this price and will work to bring it down. If we would have 30 people or more the price would drop. Although students will be given a limited number of fund -raising opportunities, the cost of the trip will be the responsibility of the student. Payment will be due in installments. I am also looking very carefully at the trip insurance. There is some included as a part of the package but the kind that would have been needed for a pandemic is not part of that, but there are some extra options I will look at carefully. They are usually offered as an option but they may need to be added as a part of each person's cost.

I will not go with less than 20 persons and prefer not to have more than 30 students. The limit on students is due to the space available for the workshops we attend.

Thank you for your consideration of this great trip opportunity.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Bargerstock – Director of High School Choral Music