



**AUSTINTOWN FITCH HIGH SCHOOL FALCON MARCHING BAND**  
**MR. WES O’CONNOR, BAND DIRECTOR**  
**MR. JEREMY McCLAIN, ASSISTANT BAND DIRECTOR**  
**DESTINATION: VIRGINIA BEACH, NORFOLK, AND BUSCH GARDENS, VA**  
**DATES: APRIL 26-29, 2019**

**UP TO DATE ITINERARY**  
**AS OF**  
**JANUARY 24, 2019**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 26**

- 5:15 AM      **(3) 56 Passenger motor coaches from Anderson Coach Company (1-800-345-3435) will arrive at Austintown Fitch HS to begin loading:**  
                     4560 Falcon Drive, Austintown, OH 44515 (330) 797-3900  
                     Coaches are climate controlled & equipped with DVD player and monitors, electrical outlets, Wi-Fi, and restrooms.
- 6:00 AM      **Promptly depart for Virginia Beach, VA.** (512 miles) *Please Note: Estimated drive time to Virginia Beach, VA is 9 hours without stops. Adding 3 hours for rest stop, lunch, and Friday traffic/construction, estimated drive time is 12 hours.*
- TBA              Rest Stop
- 11:00 AM     **Lunch at the South Mountain Welcome Center/Rest Area will be coordinated by the AFHS Band Parents.**  
                     Rest stop location: I 70 East, Myersville, MD 21773  
                     \*\*\*Meet Your Tour Director, Tim Shaffer, at the Hotel\*\*\*
- 6:00 PM      Hotel Check-In: **Best Western Plus Sandcastle Beachfront Hotel**  
                     **1307 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach, VA 23451 Phone: (757) 428-2828**  
                     Note: There is an overflow parking lot across the street from the hotel for the motor coaches.
- 6:45 PM      Board coaches and depart for dinner.
- 7:00 PM      **Dinner Buffet at Captain George’s Seafood Restaurant**  
                     **1956 Laskin Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23454**
- 8:30 PM      Return to hotel after dinner, break into chaperone groups to **enjoy Virginia Beach and the Boardwalk.** Please take cameras.
- 9:45 PM      Return to hotel rooms for the night to prepare for next morning and get a good night’s rest.
- 10:30 PM-5:30 AM    **Three (3) Security Guards on Duty**



**SATURDAY, APRIL 27**

- 6:15 AM **Breakfast Buffet at the Hotel**
- 7:15 AM Board coaches with uniforms on and instrumentation
- 7:30 AM Depart for the Parade of Nations Parade
- 8:15 AM **Arrive at the Parade Staging Area**
- 9:00 AM Parade Report Time
- 10:00 AM **The 66<sup>th</sup> Norfolk NATO Festival: “Parade of Nations” Parade steps off**  
 Note: The parade typically takes around 1.5 hours and is roughly 1.5 miles long. Parade ends at Boush and Freemason Streets. The Announcer’s Stand is typically west of the Waterside District. Historically, the Norfolk NATO Festival is the longest continuously running Festival in the Hampton Roads region, and the only one of its kind in the United States which honors the NATO Alliance and its member nations.
- 11:30 AM Meet your motor coaches and begin loading instrumentation
- 12:00 PM Walk to the McArthur Center for lunch
- 12:15 PM **Lunch at the McArthur Center Mall - \$10 Cash Back will be provided**
- 2:00 PM Walk to the Nauticus Museum
- 2:15 PM Visit the **Nauticus Museum and Battleship Wisconsin**: Enjoy a self-guided tour of Battleship Wisconsin – one of the largest and last battleships built by the US Navy. Experience the teak decks, stand beneath towering 16” guns, and experience what it was like living on board as a sailor. Inside the Nauticus Museum, explore hands-on exhibits, a new 3-D theater, shark tank and touch tanks, aquariums and more.
- 5:00 PM **Boxed Dinners will be delivered to the Nauticus Museum**
- 5:15 PM Board coaches and depart for the Chrysler Hall for the Festival Awards Ceremony and International Tattoo.
- 5:30 PM Arrive at **Chrysler Hall: 215 St. Pauls Blvd, Norfolk, VA 23510**
- 5:45 PM **Festival Awards Ceremony begins at the Chrysler Hall**
- 6:45 PM Following awards ceremony, walk next door to the Scope Arena.
- 7:00 PM Arrive at the **Scope Arena:**  
**201 E Brambleton Ave, Norfolk, VA 23510**

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**SATURDAY, APRIL 27 (Cont.)**



- 7:30 PM **Virginia International Tattoo at the Scope Arena:** The legendary Tattoos of Edinburgh and Nova Scotia are now rivaled by the largest Tattoo in the U.S. - our own Virginia International Tattoo. The Virginia International Tattoo includes more than 1,000 performers including fife and drum corps, bagpipers, military bands, precision drill teams, and performing ensembles ranging from step dancers to motorcycle stunt drivers. A salute to international friendship and an emotional call to the love of country in us all, the Tattoo is a not-to-be-missed celebration.
- 10:00 PM Board coaches and depart for hotel
- 10:30 PM Arrive at Hotel for the evening.
- 10:30 PM **Senior Class Pizza Party: AFHS Band Parents will provide the senior class with pizza, snacks, & drinks at the hotel.**
- 10:30 PM-5:30 AM **Three (3) Security Guards on Duty**

## SUNDAY, APRIL 28

- 7:30 AM **Breakfast Buffet at the Hotel**
- 8:30 AM Board motor coaches and depart for Busch Gardens
- 9:45 AM Arrive at Busch Gardens Williamsburg:
- 10:00 AM **Visit Busch Gardens Williamsburg for the day**  
**Lunch Meal Certificate per person**  
**Dinner Meal Certificate per person**
- 8:30 PM Board coaches and depart for hotel
- 9:45 PM Return to the Hotel for the evening
- 10:30 PM-5:30 AM **Three (3) Security Guards on Duty**

## MONDAY, APRIL 29

- 6:45 AM **Breakfast Buffet at the Hotel**
- 7:45 AM Board coaches with suitcases and personal belongings. (Hotel Check-Out)
- 8:15 AM **Promptly depart for Austintown, OH. (512 miles) Please Note: Estimated drive time to Austintown, OH is 9 hours without stops. Adding 2 hours for rest stop, lunch, and traffic/construction, estimated drive time is 11 hours.**
- TBA **Lunch Stop - \$10 per person cash back for lunch**
- 7:15 PM **Arrive at Austintown Fitch High School**