

MHS CHOIRS TRIP TO CANADA

MONTREAL, QUEBEC, BEAUPRE COAST

May 26-31 (6 days / 5 nights)

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PERFORMANCE & CULTURAL TOUR

Staff

Mr. Jeff Woodworth

Choir Teacher

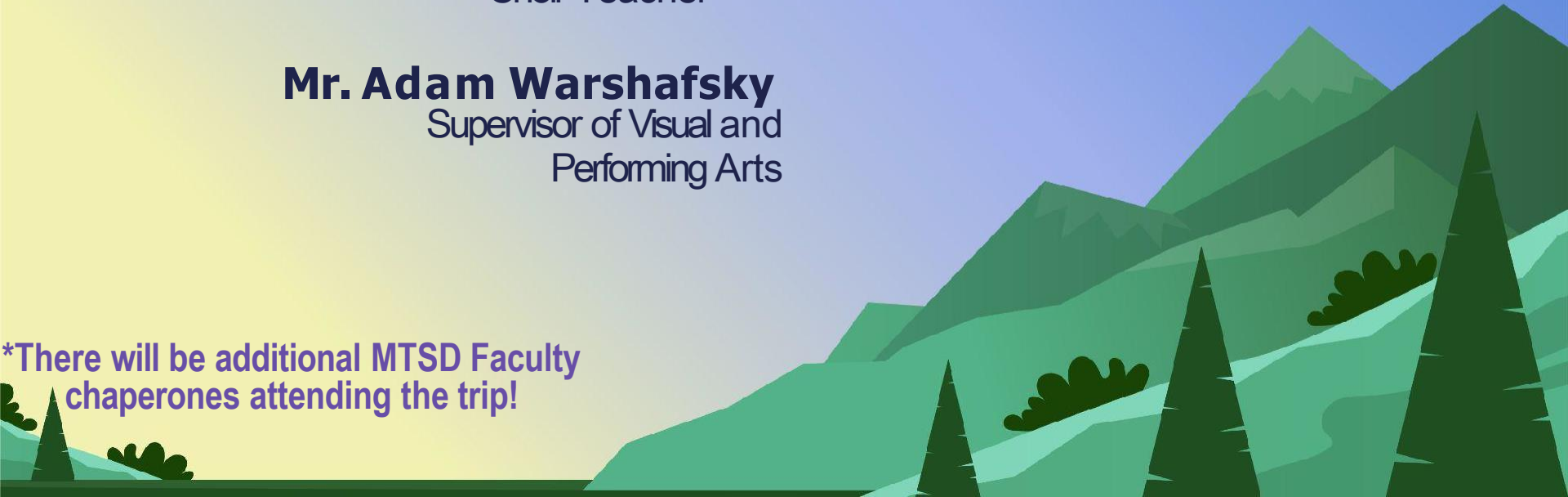
Ms. Neelam Makvana

Choir Teacher

Mr. Adam Warshafsky

Supervisor of Visual and
Performing Arts

*There will be additional MTSD Faculty
chaperones attending the trip!



Merits of travel

- Provide our students with **diverse cultural experiences** that they cannot get locally/domestically.
- Put students in touch with **history and culture relevant to** their **academic and musical study**.
- Experience historic **traditions** in an **immersive** way.
- **Perform in iconic and historic sites** that would be otherwise inaccessible.
- Allow for **social growth** and interaction.
- Provide a culminating experience for the **abundance** of **hard work** from throughout the year.
- Create **lifelong memories**.



Additional performance opportunities

- A Performance Tour allows us to feature **soloists**, **duets**, and **small select ensembles** that we would otherwise not be able to highlight.
- More information regarding auditions for these additional performance opportunities will be shared at a later date.

Friday MAY 26th

Morning:

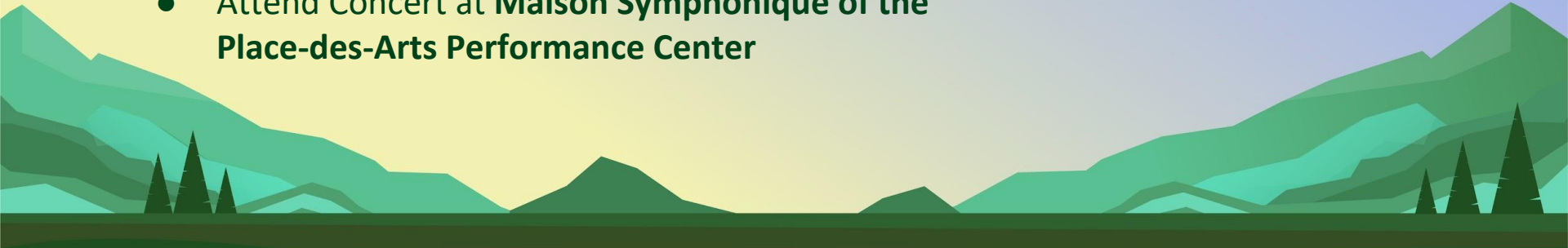
- Luggage Checks
- 8:30 AM - Buses depart MHS for **Montreal!**

Afternoon:

- Independent Lunch Stop
- Cross the Canadian Border around 3:30
- Check-in to the hotel

Evening:

- Dinner provided
- Attend Concert at **Maison Symphonique of the Place-des-Arts Performance Center**





Saturday MAY 27th

Morning:

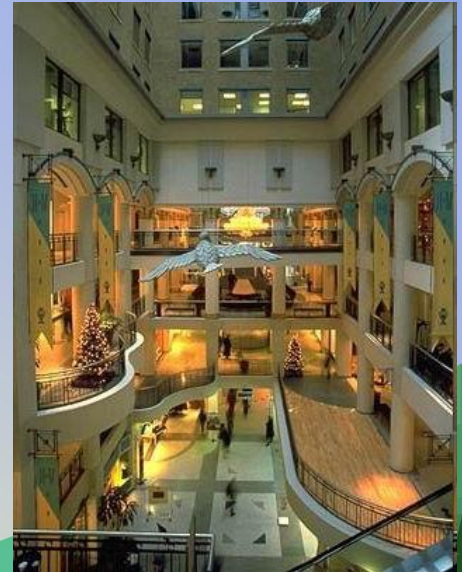
- Buffet Breakfast
- Acoustical Rehearsal prior Concert at **St. James' Church**
- Transfer to **Dorchester Square**, above the **Underground City**, Montreal's vast mall stretching below the city center

Afternoon:

- Enjoy some free time and have lunch
- Guided tour of **Historic Montreal**, including panoramic views from **Mont Royal**

Evening:

- Celebratory Pizza and Laser Bowling Party





Sunday MAY28th

Morning:

- Buffet Breakfast
- Depart for Quebec



Afternoon:

- Independent Lunch Stop along the way
- Present an afternoon informal concert at the village of **Cap-Santé** along the St. Lawrence River in the historic **Église-Sainte-Famille**

Evening:

- Check-in to hotel in Historic Quebec City
- Free Time to explore the **Old City**
- Dinner Provided





Monday MAY 29th - PART I

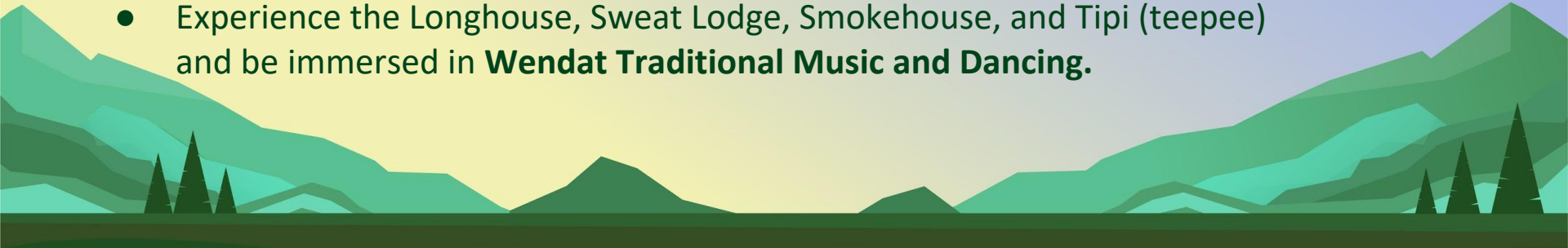
Morning:

- Buffet Breakfast
- Guided Walking Tour of **Historic Quebec City** including: **Dufferin Terrace, Place Royale**, and the **Basilique du Notre Dame**
- Free time for Lunch in the **Old City**



Afternoon:

- Travel to **Huron-Wendat First Nations Community**
- Guided Tour of the Wendat Land including information about the Wendat history and culture including canoe-making and other customs.
- Experience the Longhouse, Sweat Lodge, Smokehouse, and Tipi (teepee) and be immersed in **Wendat Traditional Music and Dancing**.

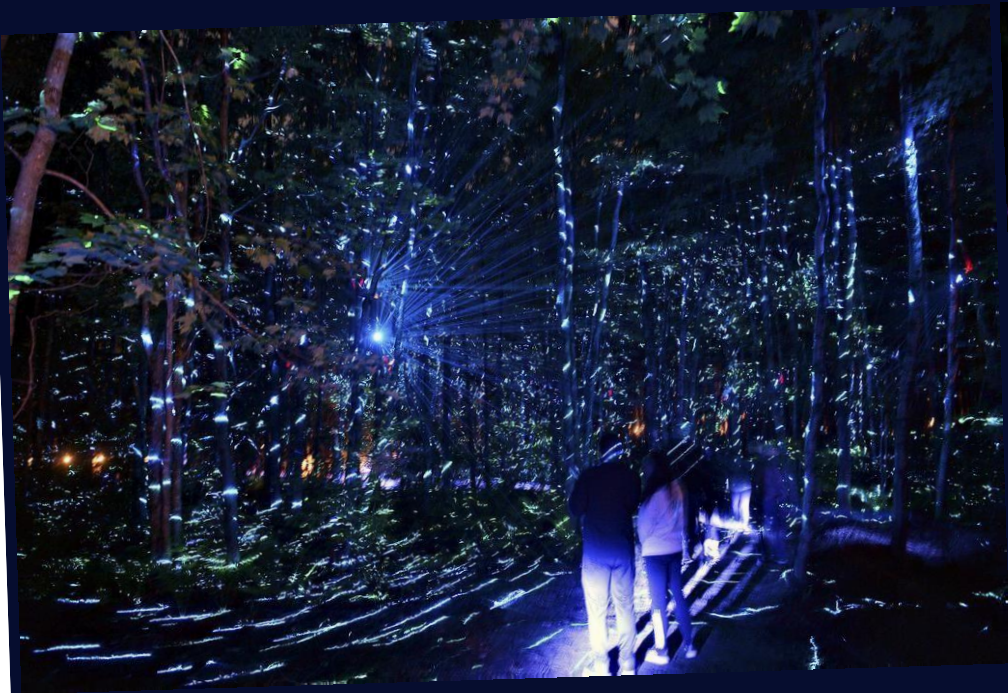


Monday MAY 29th - PART II

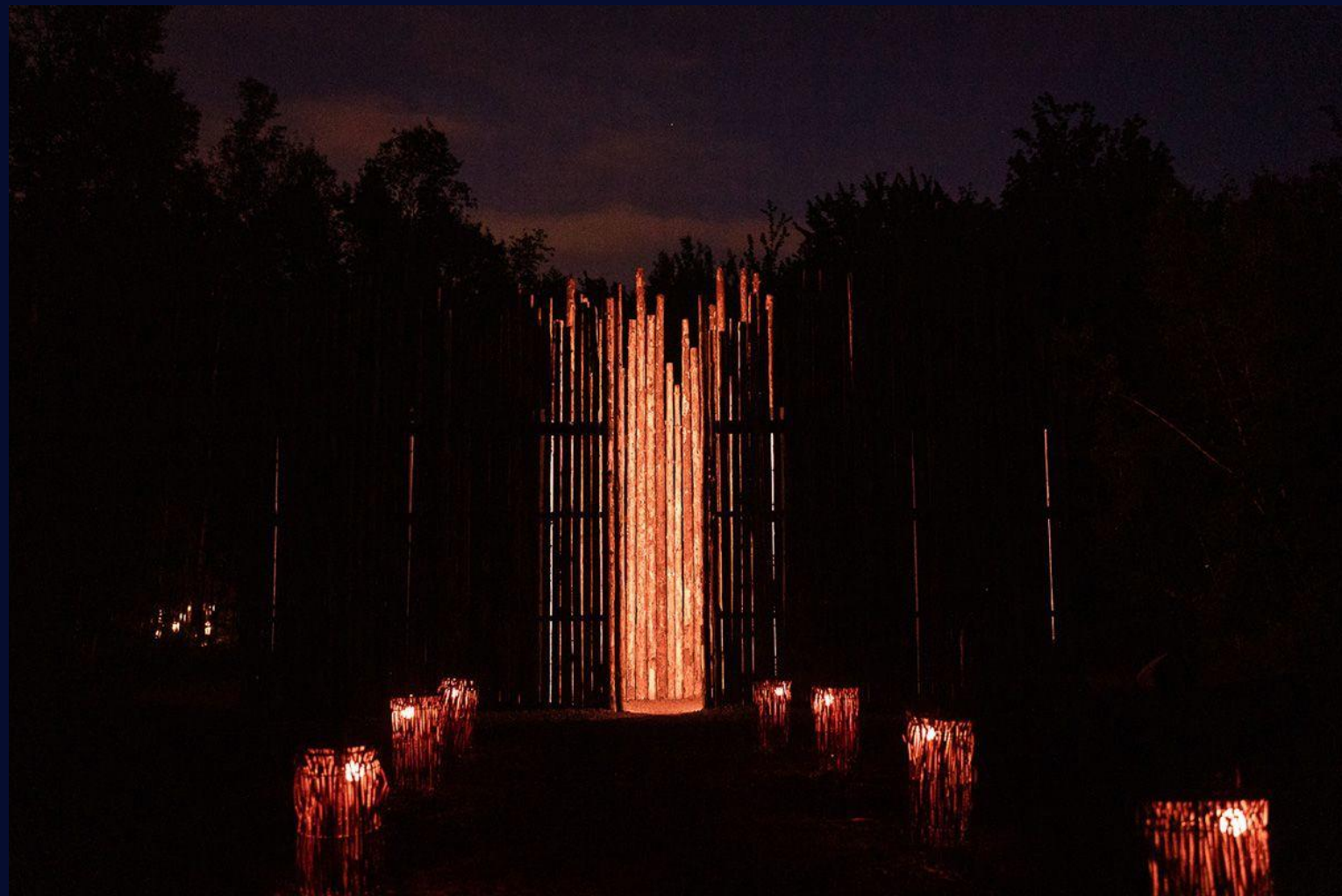
Evening

- Transfer to the **Huron-Wendat Hotel and Museum**, with interactive exhibits - students will get to make their own Medicine Wheel (dreamcatcher)
- Dinner featuring traditional Wendat options
- Once the sun has set, students be able to experience the self-guided, nighttime forest walk called **Onhwa' Lumina**, celebrating the Wendat life in lights
- Late return to hotel in Quebec











Tuesday MAY 30th

Morning:

- Buffet Breakfast
- Check out of hotel, transfer to **Beaupre Coast:**
- Visit **Chez Marie's Bread Oven** where students can sample traditional pastry
- Visit the **Copper Museum** - students will get to engrave their own copper keepsake

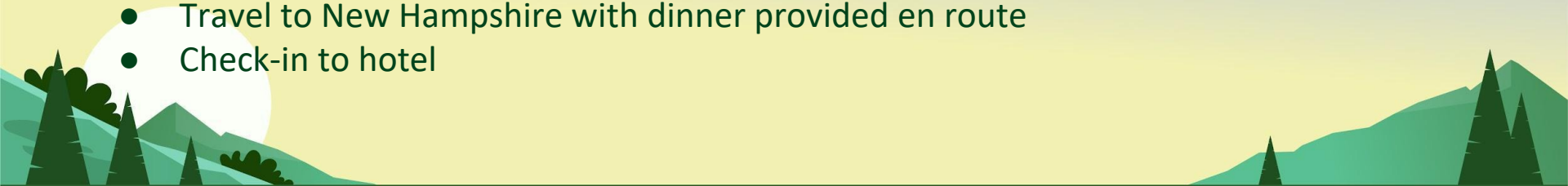


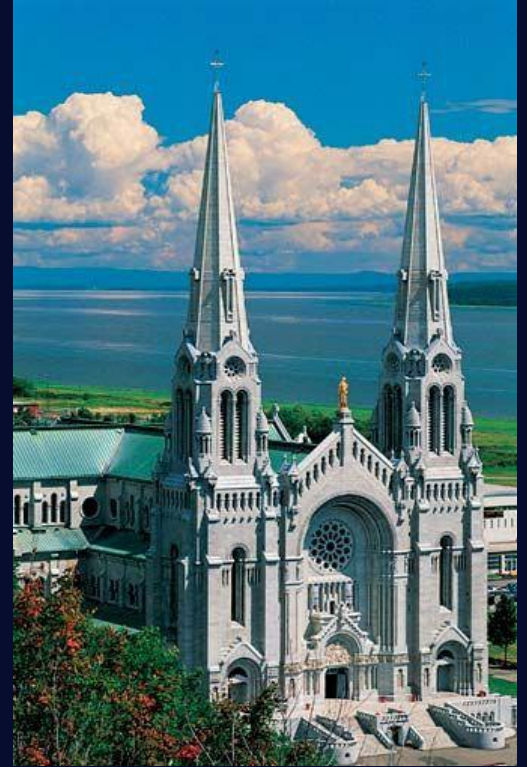
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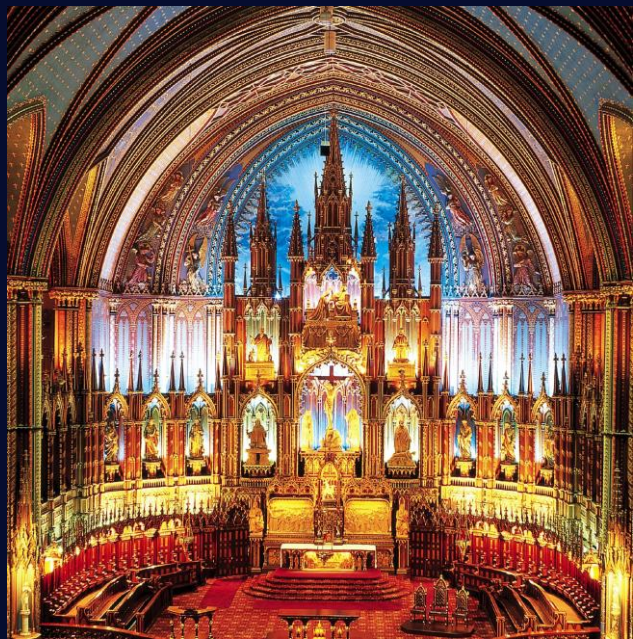
- Informal Concert and Tour of the **Basilica of St. Anne-De-Baupre**
- Lunch on your own
- Stop at **Montmorency Waterfall National Park** and hike to the falls

Evening:

- Travel to New Hampshire with dinner provided en route
- Check-in to hotel







Wednesday MAY 31st

Morning

- Check out of the hotel.

Afternoon

- Have lunch in **Quincy Market** in **Boston**.
- Guided Walking Tour of **Historic Boston**

Evening

- Return to Montgomery High School by late afternoon (6:00pm)
- Home Sweet Home!



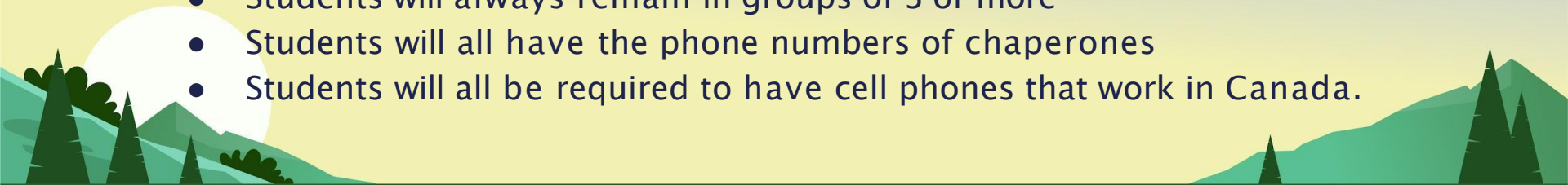
More information

Meals

- 5 Breakfast Meals Included
- 5 Dinner Meals Included
- Students responsible for buying lunch each day

Safety

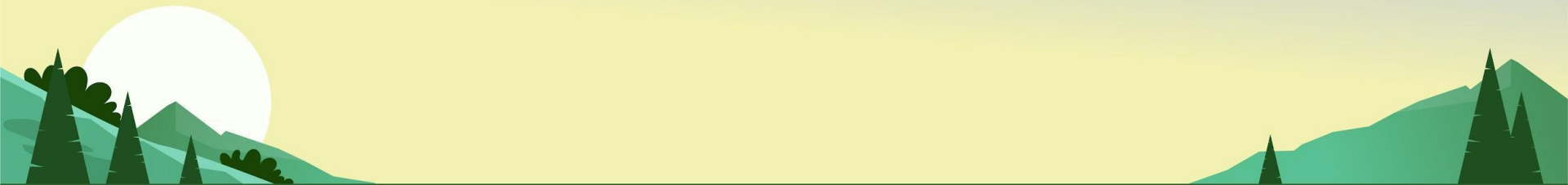
- 1 faculty chaperone will be taken for every 15 students on the trip
- A district nurse will travel with us at all times
- A security guard will be patrolling the hallways where our rooms are located in the hotel
- Luggage checks prior to departure; room checks each evening
- Students will always remain in groups of 3 or more
- Students will all have the phone numbers of chaperones
- Students will all be required to have cell phones that work in Canada.



Trip Cost and Payment Plan

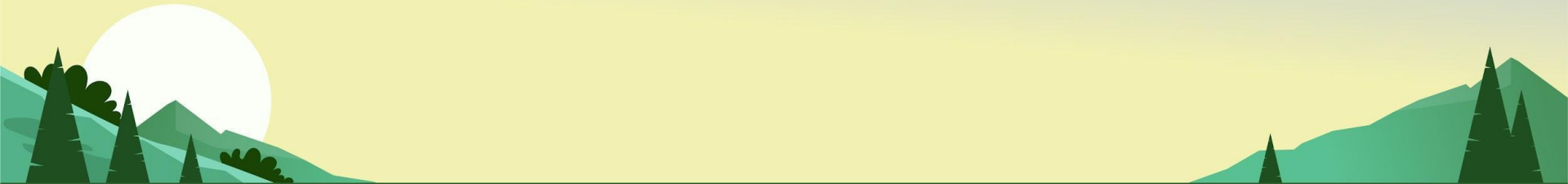
The trip will cost \$1,380 per student. Payments will be collected on the following schedule:

- 11/18/22 - \$200 Deposit
- 12/29/22 - \$295
- 02/14/23 - \$295
- 03/26/23 - \$295
- 04/25/23 - \$295



WeTravel Portal

A link for our WeTravel Portal will be sent to you in the next week. This is where all payments will be made.



Cancellation policy

If you need to cancel the trip, please notify us in writing by emailing all of the following:

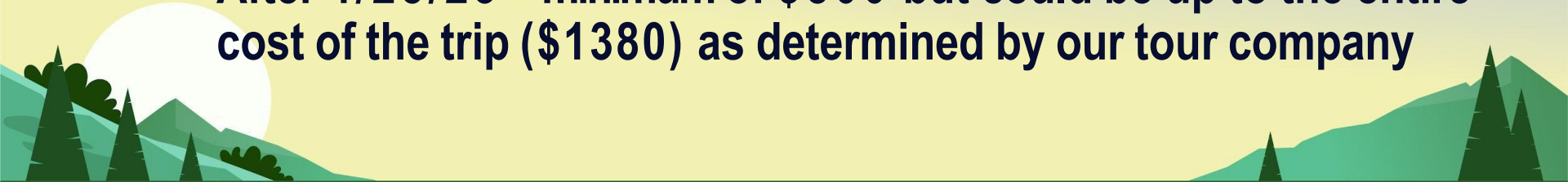
- Mr. Woodworth: jwoodworth@mtsd.us
- Ms. Makvana: nmakvana@mtsd.us
- Registration@TourResource.com



Cancellation policy

The following refund schedule will be used from the day we are notified in writing:

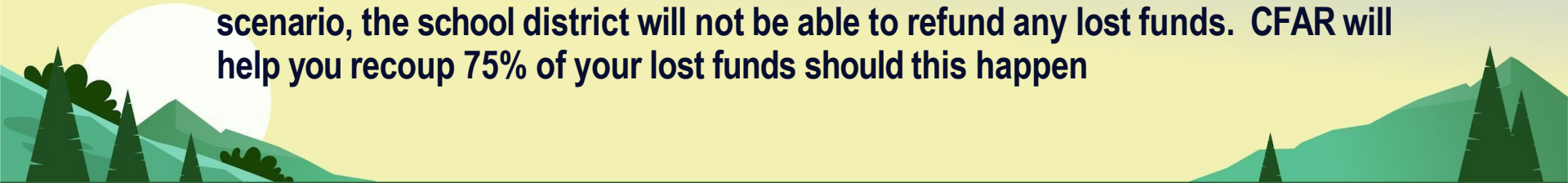
- On or before 12/29/22 - full refund
- On or before 2/14/23 - \$200 cancellation fee
- On or before 3/26/23 - \$400 cancellation fee
- On or before 4/25/23 - \$600 cancellation fee
- After 4/25/23 - minimum of \$800 but could be up to the entire cost of the trip (\$1380) as determined by our tour company



Travel Insurance

We recommend all students purchase “Cancel for Any Reason” travel insurance (CFAR). Please note the following:

- **A suggested policy can be purchased through the WeTravel portal. This policy will allow you to recoup 75% of lost funds**
- **The CFAR policy cost approximately \$95**
- **You are welcome to shop for and purchase your own travel insurance**
- **The school district can, at any time, cancel the trip should safety concerns present themselves. Depending upon the timing of this, it could result in the trip costs being lost per the cancellation policy from our tour company. In this scenario, the school district will not be able to refund any lost funds. CFAR will help you recoup 75% of your lost funds should this happen**



Passports And Travel Documents

Although we are traveling by bus, this is an international tour and appropriate documentation will be required to cross the border.

Mr. John McDonnell, Tour Manager

jmcdtrc@gmail.com

INITIAL DEPOSIT

- Initial Deposit due 11/18 – \$200
- Register and pay on WeTravel – link will be sent in the next week
- Fundraising Opportunities will be shared at a later date

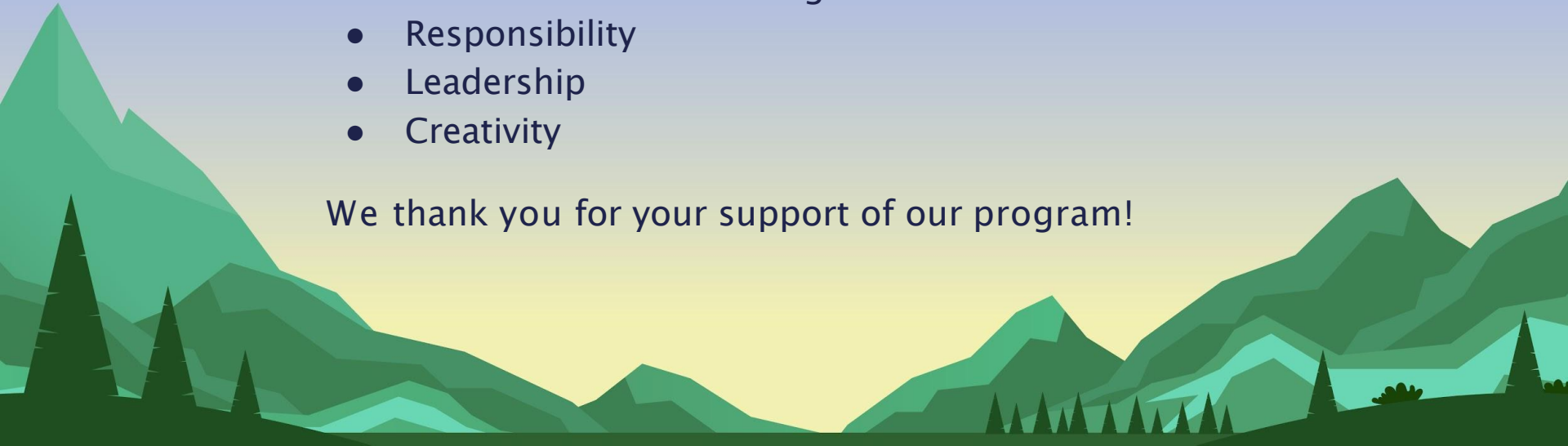


The MHS Choir Family

Through music, we build:

- Community
- Artistry
- Common Understanding
- Responsibility
- Leadership
- Creativity

We thank you for your support of our program!



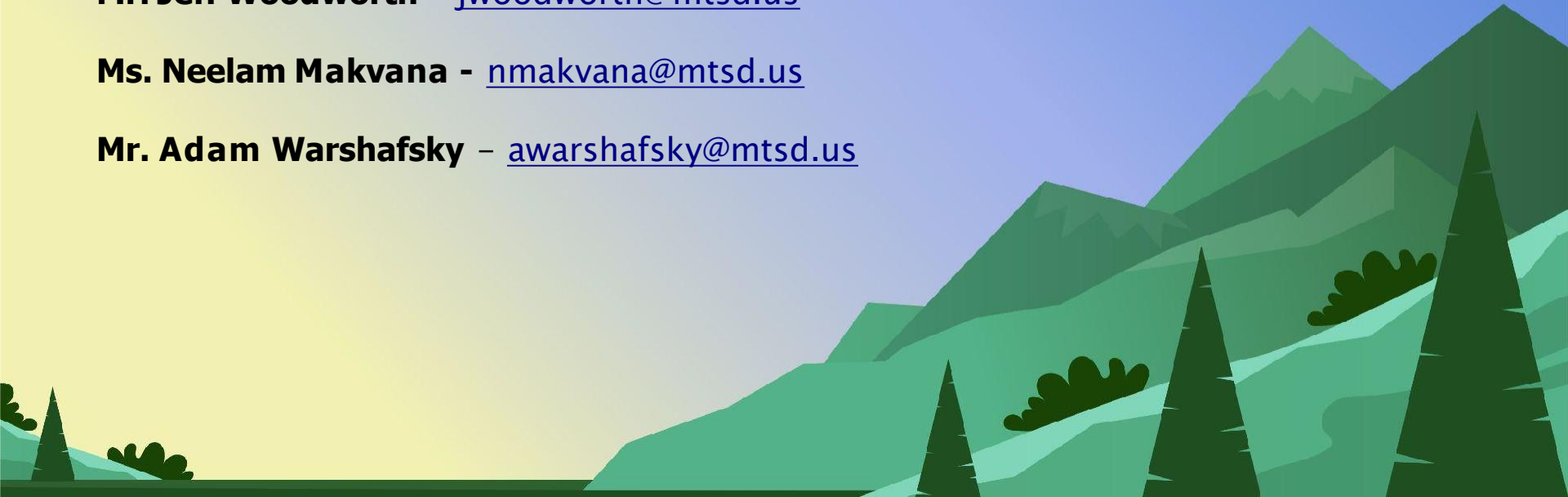
Thank you!

For questions, please feel free to contact us at anytime!

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