

YOUR CARNIVAL CRUISE IS QUICKLY APPROACHING – HERE ARE A FEW “MUST KNOWS” BEFORE YOU DEPART!!

CARNIVAL “FUN PASS” REGISTRATION: Now that you have received your cabin list with booking numbers, please go on-line to carnival.com and register. Please note that those passengers under 17 years of age are no longer able to print the Fun Pass on-line. However, it is important that they complete the process as far as they are able to.

AT THE PIER: Thirty minutes prior to arriving at the pier, please call your on-board representative (if applicable). He/She will meet your motor coach and assist with check in. At some ports there might be an additional medical form that needs to be filled out. Those under 17 will need to be added to an adult's form.

ON BOARD ACCOUNTS: You will open a “Sail and Sign” account on board. This can be done with a valid Credit Card or Gift Card (with the exception of AMEX gift card) in the passenger's name at the time of registration at the port. If this is not available, cash in the amount of \$50 minimum can be used to open the account on ship at the purser's desk. This “Sail and Sign” card will also be used as your room access key and will be the only form of payment allowed on board ship. It can be used for gifts, shore excursions, soda, etc..

ADDITIONAL COSTS: The cost of your cruise includes fees, taxes, and onboard gratuities. Gratuities for longshoremen (those who place your luggage on the ship) are NOT included. It is customary to tip the longshoremen \$1.00 per bag. Please have this collected when you arrive at the port and ready to give to the head longshoreman. If you use the service of the longshoremen at the conclusion of the cruise, it is customary to tip them the \$1 per bag as well.

LUGGAGE/EQUIPMENT TAGS: You will be able to print your luggage tags when you go through the “Fun Pass” registration process on-line. This section of the registration process is located in the “My Documents” section on Carnival.com when you sign in. Please ensure that all luggage and equipment cases are attached with these tags PRIOR to arriving at the port. It is suggested that you tag your luggage and equipment with your school and individual name as well. If your group has a storage cabin for musical instruments please make sure that the instruments being stored in this cabin are tagged accordingly. You may register this cabin in the fun pass registration process just like any other cabin and print multiple luggage tags for the equipment.

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ARRIVAL AT THE PORT: Please call your on-board cruise representative (if one is assigned) 30 minutes prior to arrival at the port. The representative will meet your group and assist with unloading and check-in.

MANDATORY MEETING TIMES: EVERYONE in your group is required to attend both the Embarkation and Debarkation meetings. There are no exceptions to this. If you have not already, you will be notified of the times of these meeting prior to your sailing.

BANDS/ORCHESTRAS: If you are performing aboard the ship and have requested an instrument storage cabin, your equipment will be delivered to this cabin (see "Luggage/Equipment Tags" above) and your on-board representative will provide your group leader with a key to it at the Embarkation meeting. Your group is responsible for getting equipment to and from the rehearsal and performance venue(s). No equipment will be permitted in the stage area, so please leave all cases in the storage or individual cabins. There will be carts available to assist with moving if needed. Requests for chairs and stands must be made well in advance.

CHORAL ENSEMBLES: There are no pianos or keyboards available for use on any ship with the exception of the Carnival Sensation (this must be requested in advance). You must bring your own equipment if you are performing aboard ship. Additionally, risers are only available on the Sensation. A request must be made prior to use of this equipment.

FESTIVAL V/S PERFORMANCE: Only those performing groups that have requested an adjudicated performance or "Festival" (at additional cost) will receive such. Otherwise, your performance will NOT be adjudicated.

CELL PHONES: As a general rule, do not expect to use your cell phone at sea. Certain plans and phones will allow service at sea or in ports of call, but usually at an additional or higher cost.

CABIN PHONES: Please instruct your group to NOT use phones in the cabin for use other than to call other cabins. If used to call "shore side", there are costs upwards of \$10 per minute. It is suggested that students make a call home with their cell phones once on board, as they might not have any contact with parents during the cruise.

WATCH/CELL PHONE TIMES: Many watches and/or cell phones do not change time zones. Please always go by the ship's time for events.

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To Start your Online Check- In process please visit www.Carnvial.com and click onto Manage My Cruise. Click Access My Bookings, Click onto Booking Quick Access, a box will appear for you. Go ahead and fill out the information, Booking number which is your individual booking number which is the number under the cabin number, Date of Birth, Ship Name and Sail Date. Click Submit. Click View Details. Click on Online Check- In, then use the drop down box and pick the name you are checking in separately and hit Get Started. This will take you to Guest Information. Please fill out all information and complete the Citizenship information page, and Travel Information Page. Then you will start your expense account page. Please keep in mind that anyone who is under 18 years old will not be able to complete their online check in and will not be able to print out their boarding passes. They will need to have a minimum of \$50.00 on their account. Students cannot use their parent's credit cards if the parents are not going on the cruise with them. We suggest pre-paid credit cards or cash unless they have a debit/credit card listed in their own names. If they use cash and if there is a left over balance they can visit the guest services before they exit off the ship and Carnival will give them cash back. If they do not visit the guest service desk Carnival will mail out a check approximately 2 weeks after getting back to port. For 18 years old or older Carnival requires a minimum of \$100.00. If you need to change anything on this you can go back in and edit and change whatever you may need. Please have them fill out as much as they can. Carnival will have a roster with all passenger names on it so with any students that cannot print out their boarding passes will be crossed off this roster using their Identification. Everyone will be able to print their luggage tags to place on luggage. If you need extra luggage tags the porters will have some when you arrive. Just ask and fill out your information and attach to luggage. Please keep in mind that the Porters that help you with your luggage do not work for Carnival so we suggest giving them \$1 tip per bag. This is not included in your package cost.