

STRONGSVILLE HS CHOIR VICKIE EICHER, DIRECTOR DESTINATION: NEW YORK CITY DATES: APRIL 19-23, 2022

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## **TUESDAY, APRIL 19**

8:30 PM Motor coaches arrive at **Strongsville High School** for loading.

20025 Lunn Road, Strongsville, Ohio 44149

9:30 PM Depart via **deluxe air conditioned motor coach with DVD.** (8 hours have been

allotted for drive time plus 2 hours for breaks and a driver change.)

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

7:30 AM

Arrive in **New York City** at **Rockefeller Center!** Located in the heart of midtown Manhattan, it is known for its big Christmas tree and ice skating in winter, Today Show concerts, Radio City Music Hall and Saturday Night Live. There is a vast array of options for shopping and dining, whether you're looking to purchase high-end goods or just grab a quick bite to eat.

\*\*You will be greeted by your Professional Tour Director here\*\*

Rockefeller Center is the site where **The Today Show** is broadcast. (Maybe a chance of getting on camera?)

Breakfast on your own in the area. Experience an authentic New York Deli!!

9:00 AM

Tour **St. Patrick's Cathedral,** the largest gothic-style Catholic Cathedral in the United States. For over 125 years, the Cathedral of St. Patrick has enriched the spiritual lives of countless New Yorkers, as well as over five million visitors and tourists each year.







10:00 AM

Take the **Radio City Music Hall Backstage Tour** at Rockefeller Center. Opened in 1932, the largest theater in the US has an opulent Art Deco interior. Once a movie palace, it now hosts a variety of musical performances and special events, such as the **Tony Awards** and the **MTV Video Music** Awards. The annual **Christmas Show** starring the world famous **Rockettes**, 36 long-legged dancers, is a New York tradition. 1260 Avenue of the Americas

Take some time in the **Fifth Avenue area** to explore the sights and shops in the area. From stores like **Louis Vuitton, Tiffany's, Gucci,** and **Versace,** to the **NBA Store,** and the famous **Apple Store,** there are enough over-the-top shopping opportunities here to satisfy everyone's taste.

Lunch on your own in the area.

2:00 PM

Experience an exclusive **Broadway Workshop** with Strongsville HS graduate, **Corey Mach** (or similar), Broadway cast member of **Kinky Boots**, and **Godspell** (arranged by the director).

Following your workshop, transfer to the **Times Square area** for some time to shop and explore. Known as "The Crossroads of the World" and "The Great White Way," it is one of the most popular commercial intersections in the world! Located in central Manhattan at the junction of Broadway and Seventh Avenue, this popular NYC attraction, is home to top destinations such as **Broadway Theaters**, **ABC's Times Square Studios**, and the **Ed Sullivan Theater** (home of the **Late Show with Stephen Colbert**).

42<sup>nd</sup> Street & Broadway

6:00 PM Enjoy an **Italian dinner** at **Naples 45.** 

8:00 PM Experience **Top of the Rock**, the six-level observatory atop the Art Deco skyscraper,

30 Rockefeller Plaza which offers fantastic 360 degree views of the New York City

skyline!

9:30 PM Transfer to the hotel to check in for the evening.

Marriott Courtyard Lyndhurst – Meadowlands (or similar)

2 Private Security Guards on duty - 11:00 PM-6:00 AM







### **THURSDAY, APRIL 21**

8:00 AM **Breakfast included** at the hotel.

9:00 AM Transfer into the city and up Central Park West, traveling the length of beautiful

Central Park, to Morningside Heights, and home to St. John the Divine.

10:45 AM Have a **Special Performance** by the **Strongsville HS Choir** at the **Cathedral of St. John** 

the Divine (pending scheduling). The largest cathedral in the world, the 601-foot-long nave is the length of two football fields, holding 5,000 worshippers, and the 162-foot-

tall dome crossing, could comfortably contain the Statue of Liberty.

1047 Amsterdam Avenue

11:30 AM Following your performance, transfer to **Grand Central Station** for lunch on your

own. One of the world's great rail terminals, is New York's most visited with 500,000 people passing through it daily. It features 15 restaurants and over 40 shops, the

New York City Transit Museum and a gourmet food market.

42<sup>nd</sup> Street, between Park & Lexington Avenues

2:00 PM Meet your guides & depart for a **sightseeing tour** of **Manhattan**. The tour

will take you to the sites that made the Big Apple famous! The tour will be

customized to meet your group's interests, perhaps including such things as: Lincoln

Center, Columbus University, the Dakota and the John Lennon Memorial,

"Strawberry Fields" in Central Park, Greenwich Village, and the Financial District

and former site of the World Trade Center.

5:00 PM Enjoy dinner at Dallas BBQ – Times Square.

Walk to the Schoenfeld Theater for tonight's show.

7:00 PM The curtain rises on **Come From Away** (or similar - \$90 allotted) at the Schoenfeld

Theater.

236 West 45<sup>th</sup> Street

Some current options for a Broadway show could include: Ain't Too Proud To Beg -

The Life and Times of the Temptations, Aladdin, Chicago, Dear Evan Hansen,

Hadestown, Hamilton, Jagged Little Pill, The Lion King, Moulin Rouge, The Phantom of

the Opera, Tina – The Tina Turner Musical, West Side Story, and Wicked.

10:00 PM Return to your hotel for the evening.

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### FRIDAY, APRIL 22

8:00 AM **Breakfast included** at the hotel.

Check out of the hotel.

9:00 AM Board your coaches for lower Manhattan and the Financial District.

10:00 AM Arrive in **Battery Park**, one of New York City's oldest public open spaces. Located at

the tip of Manhattan overlooking New York Harbor, over four million people, including residents, office workers, school groups, and tourists from around the world annually visit the park and its major landmark, **Castle Clinton National** 

Monument.

Battery Place, State Street & Whitehall Street

10:30 AM Board the **Staten Island Ferry,** where from the deck you will have a perfect view of

**The Statue of Liberty** and **Ellis Island**. You'll see the skyscrapers and bridges of Lower Manhattan receding as you pull away and coming into focus again as you return.

Whitehall Terminal, 1 Whitehall Street

12:00 PM Following the ferry, transfer to the Financial District for lunch on your own in the area

surrounding the new **One World Trade Center**, which at 1,776 feet, is America's

tallest building, and a brand new New York landmark.

1:30 PM Visit the **National September 11<sup>th</sup> Memorial and Museum.** This 16-acre site features

two enormous waterfalls and reflecting pools, each about an acre in size, set within the footprints of the original twin towers. Its design conveys a spirit of hope and renewal, and creates a contemplative space separate from the usual sights and sounds of a bustling metropolis. With more than More than 400 trees, the Memorial Plaza is one of the most eco-friendly plazas ever constructed. The Museum serves as the country's principal institution concerned with exploring the implications of the events of 9/11, documenting the impact of those events and exploring 9/11's

continuing significance.

3:30 PM Transfer to the **Little Italy** and **Chinatown** area. You will have time to shop for New

York City souvenirs and experience the many different ethnic tastes of these

neighborhoods.

5:30 PM Enjoy and authentic **Chinese dinner** at **Delight 28 Restaurant** in Chinatown.

28 Pell Street

Transfer to the Gershwin Theater for tonight's show.







The curtain rises on Wicked (or similar - \$90 allotted) at the Gershwin Theater. 8:00 PM

221 West 51st Street

11:00 PM Depart for home. (8 hours has been allotted for drive time plus 1 hour for

Breaks and a driver change.)

## **SATURDAY, APRIL 23**

8:00 AM Arrive at Strongsville High School.

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