



Dear Educator:

Your school is invited to apply for participation in the “Get on the Bus” program, a Community Partnerships project inspired by America’s Promise Alliance. With “Get on the Bus,” Community Partnerships supports attendance for Title I schools to attend a Kennedy Center school day performance. The “Get on the Bus” program can provide up to \$550 support per school, an amount that will serve to alleviate the cost(s) of tickets and/or bus transportation.

“Get on the Bus” eligibility requirements:

1. Your school must be a Title I school, with thirty-five percent or more of your students eligible to receive free or reduced-cost lunch.
2. Your school must be a public or public charter school in the District of Columbia, Maryland or Virginia and within a fifty-mile radius of the Kennedy Center.
3. Your principal must sign the attached “Get on the Bus” Application Form.
4. If your school is selected to receive support, your principal must also sign a “Get on the Bus” confirmation form. This form will be sent directly to your school and will require your school to cover any costs exceeding the \$550 limit.

The application deadline is Friday, September 30, 2011, though schools are encouraged to apply prior to this deadline.

The earlier a school’s application is submitted, the greater the likelihood of receiving funding for its first choice of performance. Detailed information about eligible performances may be found in the 2011-2012 Kennedy Center/National Symphony Orchestra Performances for School Groups brochure. The brochure will be available via postal mail, the third week of August, or it can be viewed on our website at <http://www.kennedy-center.org/education/schoolguide/schoolguide.cfm>.

Please complete the attached application for support and send via fax to the attention of “Get on the Bus” at (202) 416-4846. You will receive notification concerning the status of your request within two weeks after your submission of the “Get on the Bus” application.

For questions pertaining to the “Get on the Bus” program, please contact the Community Partnerships Program staff, at (202) 416-8803 or (202) 416-8825.

Sincerely,

Jeanette McCune
Assistant Director, Teacher and School Programs
Community Partnerships Division
Education Department



2011-2012 Scholarship Application "Get on the Bus" to...



Please complete the information on the following **two** pages and fax to Community Partnerships/Attn: "Get on the Bus" at (202) 416-4846. You will receive notification concerning the status of your request within two weeks of receipt. The application deadline is **Friday, September 30, 2011**, though schools are encouraged to apply prior to this deadline. The earlier a school's application is submitted, the greater the likelihood of receiving funding for its first choice of performance. For questions about the "Get on the Bus" program, please contact Community Partnerships staff at (202) 416-8803 or (202) 416-8825.

School Information

Contact Name/Title: _____

School: _____ District/County/Ward: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Title I School (yes/no): _____ Percentage students receiving free/reduced lunch: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Performance Information

Please select a performance from the 2011-2012 Kennedy Center and National Symphony Orchestra Performances for School Groups brochure (or from our website at <http://www.kennedy-center.org/education/schoolguide/schoolguide.cfm>) and indicate a 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice date of a performance(s) you are interested in attending.

1st Choice: Event Name: _____ Date/Time: _____

2nd Choice: Event Name: _____ Date/Time: _____

3rd Choice: Event Name: _____ Date/Time: _____

Inclement Weather: Please list the school district/county inclement weather policy your school follows. Indicate "own" if your school follows an individual policy. _____



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Attendance and Transportation Information

Total # Students	Total # Chaperones	Total Tickets (Students plus chaperones)

*A minimum of one adult per group of twenty students is required.

Grade Level(s) of Attending Students: _____

Primary Contact for day of performance: _____

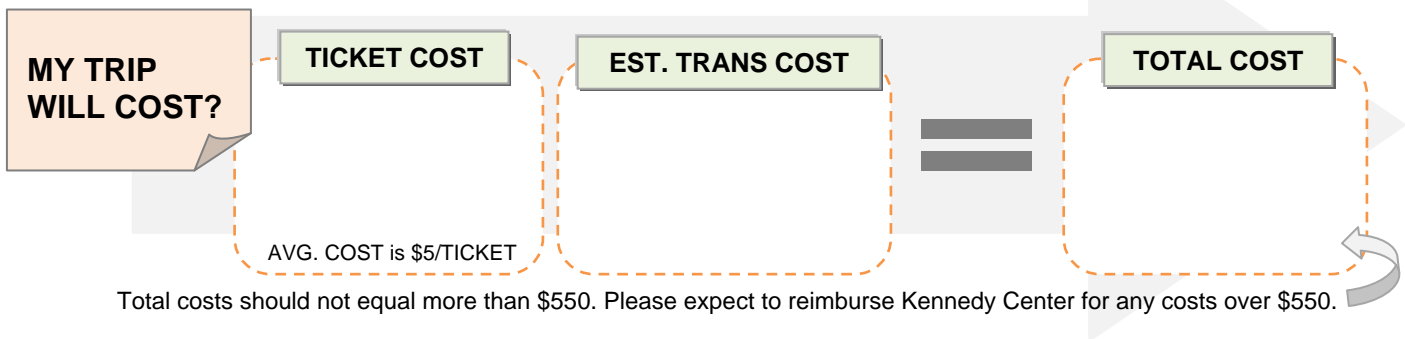
Contact Phone: _____ Contact Email: _____

Accessibility: If you or your students require any accessibility accommodations, please indicate below.
The Accessibility office requires at least three weeks advance notice to provide these services.

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| _____ Wheelchair accessible seating | _____ Audio Description |
| _____ Easy Access Seating (no stairs) | _____ Braille Cuesheets |
| _____ Infrared Listening Device | _____ Large Print Cuesheets |
| _____ Cued Speech/Sign Language | _____ Other (please specify) |

Will you need financial support in covering transportation costs for the event? YES NO

* Please note that answering yes does not guarantee that transportation will be covered in its entirety by the Kennedy Center. If requested, schools will work with Community Partnerships staff in securing transportation to the event and may be asked to provide documentation on approved transportation providers, school policies about school day trips and in assisting with general logistics.



Principal's Name (Print) _____

Principal's Signature _____

Date _____

Please return pages 1 and 2 to: Community Partnerships/Attn: "Get on the Bus" - Fax: (202) 416-4846