

Kansas City Friends of Alvin Ailey

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater – Theater Performance for Schools Information

Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts
16th & Broadway
Kansas City, Missouri 64108

Thursday, November 17, 2011 & Friday, November 18, 2011 10:30am

- Arrive 45-60 minutes prior to the performance start time.
- Stay on your buses until a Kauffman Center volunteer comes to your bus to ask you to unload.
- There is not place inside or outside of the Kauffman Center for you to stay and eat lunch.
- Buses will be trafficked in this way:
 - Dropping off students:** Buses should enter the Kauffman Center drop-off drive from the Broadway entrance on the south side of the building. The drop-off drive is a one-way heading east. Please stay on your bus until a Kauffman Center volunteer comes to release your group.
 - Bus parking during performances:** Buses should exit the east side of the drop-off drive and turn left (north) on Wyandotte. They should go to 16th Street, make a left turn, and then immediately turn right (north) onto Central Street. They should park facing northbound along the east side of Central Street. They can use the east side of Central as far north as 13th Street providing they do not block the loading dock for Bartle Hall, which is just south of 14th Street. They should pull as far north as possible (at least up to 14th Street) to allow other buses the opportunity to park behind them.
 - Picking up students:** Fifteen minutes prior to the performance end, buses can begin queuing along the north side of the building on 16th Street. (They will want to park on the south side of 16th Street facing eastbound so the students don't have to cross the street.) Buses CANNOT park on 16th Street for the duration of the performance. Students, escorted by Kauffman Center volunteers, will exit the building through the north entrance to get to their buses.
- Chaperones driving separately, home school families, etc. The adjacent Arts District Parking Garage has the following fees during the day: first 30 minutes are free; \$1 per every 15 minutes after that for a max of \$12.
- Groups arriving late will be seated at the first break of the performance.

**TEACHER HINTS FOR SUPERVISION OF
STUDENT GROUPS IN THE THEATER**

1. It is very important to understand that the performance starts at the designated time and the students need to be in their seats.
2. When entering the theater, each school will be greeted by an usher. Keep your group together and follow the usher to your designated seats.
3. Do not permit any food or drink to be brought onto the bus or into the theater.
4. Please supervise the group very carefully; arrange for an adequate number of chaperones.
5. Make it clear that quiet conversation is fine, except during the performance. Talking that distracts or interrupts others should be discouraged at all times.
6. There is no intermission and the performance is 60 minutes long so please arrive with adequate time to use the rest rooms Students must remain supervised the entire time!
7. At the conclusion of the performance, arrange for your group to wait until they are called to leave their seats and exit from the theater.
8. Determine the location of your district bus. There will be staff supervisors from the Office of Pupil Transportation on hand to assist you.

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