

# Forward-Looking Statements

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# **Cedar Fair Executive Team**



Tim Fisher COO



Kelley Semmelroth CMO



Richard Zimmerman



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Dave Hoffman CAO







### **Vision:**

To be the preferred choice for regional entertainment.

### **Mission:**

To make people happy by providing them fun, dynamic and memorable experiences they can share with their family and friends year after year.





#### KEY STATISTICS

Entertain

26M+

visitors annually

850+

rides and attractions

115+

roller coasters

2,300+

hotel rooms



### PARKS PORTFOLIO

Own and operate

11

amusement parks

4

outdoor water parks

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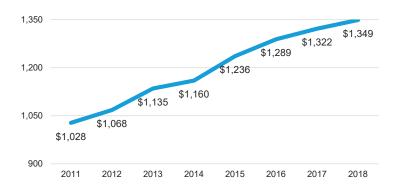
indoor water park



# **Consumer Demand Remains Strong**

### TOTAL REVENUE

(\$ in millions)



#### 2018 Results

- Record <u>net revenues</u> of \$1.35 billion, up 2%
- Record attendance of 25.9 million visits, up 1%
- Record <u>in-park per capita spending</u> of \$47.69, up 1%
- Record <u>out-of-park revenues</u> of \$152 million, up 6%

#### ADJUSTED EBITDA(a)

(\$ in millions)



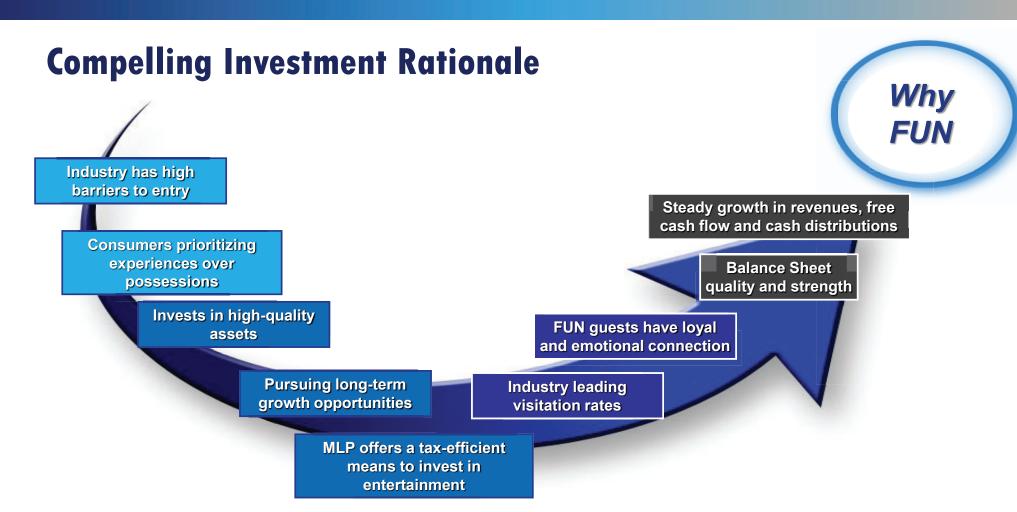
#### **2019** to date(b)

- Net revenues up 5% to \$1.08 billion
- Attendance up 2%
- In-park per capita spend up 2%
- Out-of-park revenues up 5%



<sup>(</sup>a) See Appendix for reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA

<sup>(</sup>b) Same park comparisons, for period ended Sept. 1, 2019



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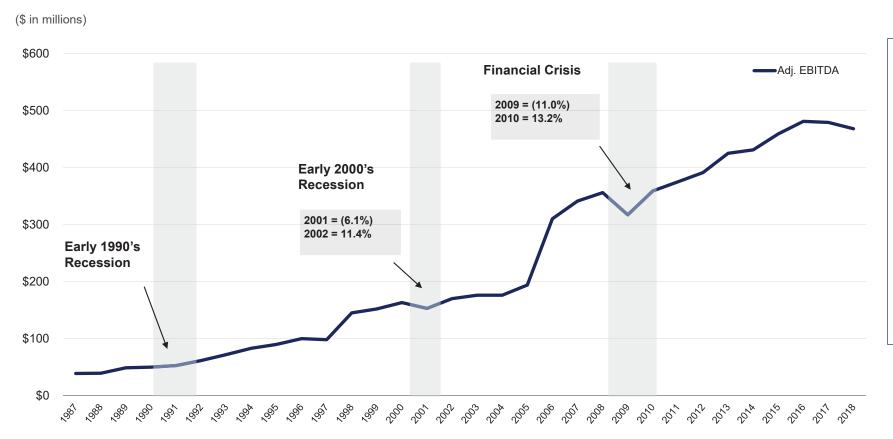
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**Operations** 

Financial



# **Strong Long-Term Growth and Recession Resilient**



#### **Acquisitions:**

- 1992 Dorney Park
- 1995 World of Fun
- 1997 Knott's Berry Farm
- 2001 Michigan's Adventure
- 2004 Geauga Lake
- 2006 Paramount Parks (five parks)

## **Investment of Excess Cash Flow**

Strong free cash flow from operations

Sustainable and growing distribution

- \$3.70 per limited partner unit
- Yield of 6.6%<sup>(a)</sup>
- 32 consecutive years of distributions

Investment in future growth

- Prioritize investments in more immersive guest experiences within the core
- Something new at every park, every year
- Pursue adjacent development opportunities

Reduce leverage inside 4.0x

- Strategically levered up to acquire high-quality assets with meaningful growth potential
- Re-establish balance sheet flexibility to pursue future acquisition opportunities



Ended 9/1/19 Ended 9/1/19 **YTD Operating Results\*** w/ Schlitterbahn Same-park Basis \$1.12B \$1.08B **Net Revenues** 8% 5% **Net Revenues Growth** 2% 6% Attendance 3% 2% In-Park Per Capita Spending 9% Out-of-Park Revenues

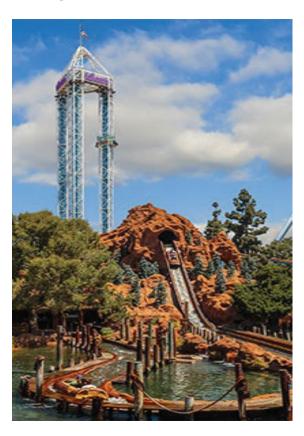
<sup>\*</sup>Comparable Operating Calendar Basis

# New Long-Range Plan



# **Consumer Insights Research**

We've held numerous Focus Groups to explore which types of entertainment experiences are most likely to motivate visitation.



## **Key Findings:**

- Something for everyone consumers are seeking entertainment options that can accommodate all types of people, ages and interests
- Disconnecting to connect despite the pervasiveness of technology, people still appreciate simple fun that fosters connection
- Consumers are on the hunt for "never before" experiences
- Craving atmosphere and experiences with a "sense of place"
- Consumers see "local" as more authentic
- Authentic diversity is differentiating consumers are drawn to places that celebrate the diversity of the area in an authentic way

# **Consumer Insights Research**

Rides and events remain top reasons for visiting our parks, with high-park-interest guests driven by water parks and family coasters.



### **Top Reasons to Visit Parks:**

- Family Rides
- Thrill Coasters
- Water Rides
- Seasonal Events
- Anniversary Celebrations

## **Long-Range Plan: Core Strategies**

- Broaden the Guest Experience
  - More visits from existing guests
  - Incremental visits from new guests
- Expand the Season Pass Program
- Increase Market Penetration through Targeted Marketing Efforts
- Pursue Adjacent Development

# **Broadening the Guest Experience**



# Traditional Attractions Still Important (circa 2019)













# **Coming Rides and Attractions for 2020**

- Every park gets something new
- Headliners include giga-coaster
   Orion at Kings Island and
   South Bay Shores Waterpark
   at California's Great America
- A new Camp Snoopy for Michigan's Adventure and Beagle Brigade Airfield kids airplane ride for Canada's Wonderland
- Five properties adding water park features: Dorney, Carowinds, Kings Dominion, Canada's Wonderland and Worlds of Fun
- Valleyfair will host the electric Grand Carnivale parade and street party







# "Seasons of FUN" Model: Creates Urgency to Visit









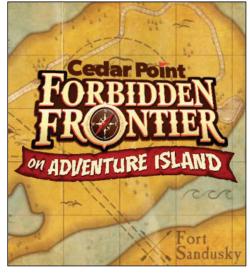




# **Offer Guests Immersive Experiences**













Food & Beverage Playing A Key Role

- Our research confirms food and beverage today play a critical role in the guest experience
- Consumers want unique experiences, offerings they can't get at home
- We have enhanced existing F&B facilities, added more immersive dining experiences
- Executive chefs and additional culinary talent hired at each park
- F&B per caps up by ~30% since 2011
- Total F&B revenue up >50% since 2011

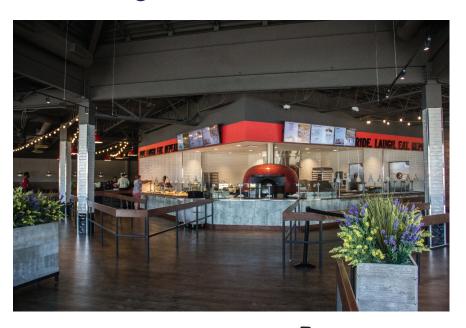




# The Changing Landscape of Food & Beverage

# BACKBEATQUE BBQ SMOKEHOUSE









# Popular 4th Quarter Special Events Providing Growth



- Haunt's popularity has increased dramatically over the past two decades
  - Halloween events produce some of our highest attendance days
- Attendance in October up by more than 30% over the last decade
  - October now > 10% of annual attendance

- 2016 first year for the event (one park and approximately 200K in attendance)
- 2018 five parks and approximately 1M in combined attendance
- 6<sup>th</sup> WinterFest park being added for 2019



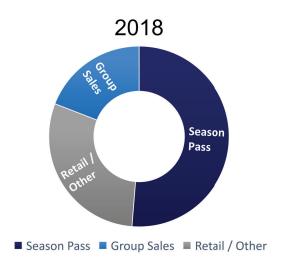


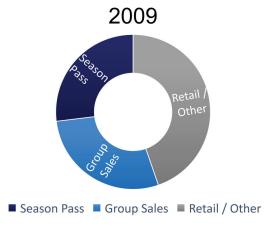
# **Expanding the Season Pass Program**



## **Season Pass Channel Growth Remains Strong**

- Season pass visitation mix > 50% of total attendance today from approximately 33% in 2009
- Season passes sold today exceed 2.5M units, up 100% from 10 years
- Annual season pass visits up, > 13M visits
- Strong sales growth trends continue for all-season dining and beverage options





# **Evolution of the Season Pass Program**

Goal: Transition program to Long-term Relationship-based model (from Seasonal Transactional)

Loyalty Program to build <u>lifetime value</u> for guests

### **Objectives:**

- Address <u>affordability</u> concerns for value-oriented guests while maintaining admissions price integrity
- Drive higher unit sales through "stickier" retention
- Increase the <u>average visitation</u> of our season passholder base





# SP Payment Plan + Loyalty Program Meet Objectives

### **CEDAR FAIR SEASON PASS PROGRAM**

Key Objectives	Payment Plan -	Subscription Model		
Affordability	YES NO		YES	
Retention	NO	YES		
Visitation	NO	YES	NO	
Pricing Power	YES	YES	NO	
Purchase Urgency	YES	NO	NO	

# **PASSPERKS Loyalty Program**

Objective: Create a loyalty program that delivers surprises and provides incentives to our most engaged guests, the season passholders.

- Deliver a program that resonates with season passholders
- Play into our guests emotions by delivering the unexpected
- Drive incremental visits from passholders throughout the season
- Incentivize renewals, driving retention rates higher
- Pilot program running at four parks in 2019
  - Rewards are earned throughout visits to the park
  - Monthly incentives, including discounted "Bring-a-Friend" tickets, additional discounts in the parks and free all-day drink wristbands
  - Monthly lucky drawings (based on visitation), which feature exclusive experiences as prizes



# **Enhanced Targeted Marketing Efforts**



# **Market Sizing Study**

Performed to better measure the current penetration of markets feeding our parks and gain a better understanding of the consumer segments within those markets.



## **Key Findings:**

- Strong attendance penetration among demographic groups in decline
  - o Lowest penetration among groups with the fastest population growth rates
- Key opportunities exist with several demographic segments across multiple parks:
  - Older Non-Families
  - o Families with Young Children
  - o Millennial Non-Families
  - Asian American and U.S. Hispanic Households
  - High-Income Households
- Near-term priority to focus on the tourism market in Southern California

# **Pursue Adjacent Development**



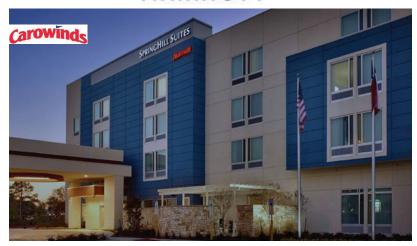
## **Evolution of the Accommodations Channel**

- Substantial growth of accommodations portfolio last 8 years:
  - Total hotel rooms grew to more than 2,300 from 1,900 (includes Schlitterbahn and Sawmill Creek Resort)
  - Total luxury RV sites increased to more than 600
- Accommodations Revenue:
  - > \$75 million, up 35% since 2011 (excludes Schlitterbahn and Sawmill Creek Resort)



# **Adjacent Development – Accommodations**

# SPRINGHILL SUITES® MARRIOTT



- Opening Q4-2019
- Year round accommodations
- 129 rooms
- Adjacent to Carowinds





- Targeted opening Q2-2021
- 140 rooms projected
- Adjacent to Canada's Wonderland



## **Cedar Point Sports Center**

## **Outdoor Facility**

- Opened March 2017 performance is pacing well ahead of the original pro-forma model
- 10 multi-use fields with clubhouse
- Baseball, softball, soccer, lacrosse



- 145,000 square feet
- Court space accommodates 10 basketball courts and 20 volleyball courts
- AAU basketball, JO volleyball, wrestling, cheer, gymnastics

## **Recent Transactions**







# **Key Takeaways**

#### Growth

 We're confident we have the strategies and initiatives in place to drive attendance, per capita and revenue growth for the foreseeable future

### Leverage

- Our priority is responsibly reducing total leverage back below 4.0x as quickly as possible
- Re-establish balance sheet flexibility to pursue future opportunities like Schlitterbahn

#### Distribution

We're committed to ensuring confidence in the sustainability of our distribution

#### CAPEX

- We're critically evaluating the required level of capital investment in the parks going forward
- We're focused on evolving our capital investments to coincide with our research around the changing tastes of the consumer
- We're focused on more efficiently deploying our capital within the parks
- Something new at every park, every year

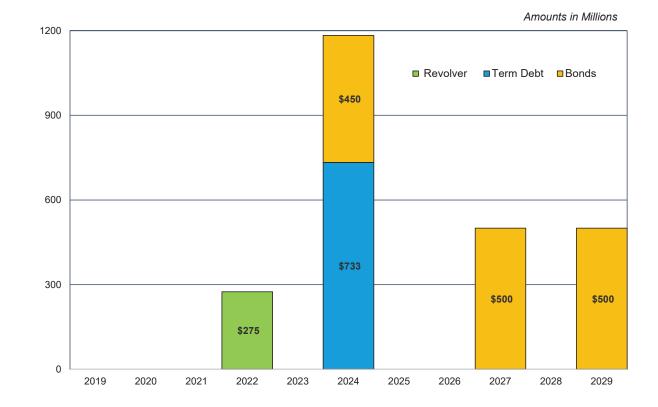


# **Appendix**



# Capital Structure — Debt Maturities

- Total debt outstanding of \$2.2B as of 06/30/19
- Cash on hand totaled \$325M as of 06/30/19
- Consolidated Leverage Ratio of 4.4x as of 06/30/19
- Full-year cash interest costs expected to be approximately \$98M for 2019
- Full-year cash interest costs projected to be approximately \$110M in 2020-2022





# **Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation**

#### CEDAR FAIR, L.P. RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED EBITDA

(In thousands)

	Three months ended			Six months ended			
	J	une 30, 2019		June 24, 2018		June 30, 2019	June 24, 2018
Net income (loss)	\$	63,298	\$	19,243	\$	(20,375) \$	(64,157)
Interest expense		22,927		21,337		43,847	41,099
Interest income		(81)		(55)		(314)	(281)
Provision (benefit) for taxes		14,676		13,730		(5,309)	(5,469)
Depreciation and amortization		55,904		52,219		69,493	57,740
EBITDA		156,724		106,474	_	87,342	28,932
Loss on early debt extinguishment		-		-			1,073
Net effect of swaps		10,779		(906)		17,158	(4,534)
Non-cash foreign currency (gain) loss		(9,481)		14,992		(18,145)	25,090
Non-cash equity compensation expense		3,287		3,180		5,830	6,148
Loss on impairment / retirement of fixed assets, net	t	682		3,372		2,106	4,712
Gain on sale of investment		<del></del>		( <del></del> )		(617)	_
Acquisition-related costs		946		=		946	_
Other (1)		124		(76)		283	93
Adjusted EBITDA (2)	\$	163,061	\$	127,036	\$	94,903 \$	61,514

- (1) Consists of certain costs as defined in the Company's Amended 2017 Credit Agreement and prior credit agreements. These items are excluded from the calculation of Adjusted EBITDA and have included certain legal expenses and severance expenses. This balance also includes unrealized gains and losses on short-term investments.
- (2) Adjusted EBITDA represents earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, other non-cash items, and adjustments as defined in the Amended 2017 Credit Agreement and prior credit agreements. The Company believes Adjusted EBITDA is a meaningful measure as it is widely used by analysts, investors and comparable companies in our industry to evaluate our operating performance on a consistent basis, as well as more easily compare our results with those of other companies in our industry. Further, management believes Adjusted EBITDA is a meaningful measure of park-level operating profitability and we use it for measuring returns on capital investments, evaluating potential acquisitions, determining awards under incentive compensation plans, and calculating compliance with certain loan covenants. Adjusted EBITDA is provided as a supplemental measure of our operating results and is not intended to be a substitute for operating income, net income or cash flows from operating activities as defined under generally accepted accounting principles. In addition, Adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

