

Get beach balls, radios ready for trek to coast

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The students flock to the beaches — Texas beaches, Florida beaches, California beaches, Mexico beaches and others.

They gather their beach balls, their beach towels, their portable radios and their beer.

They go on crash diets so they can fit into that tiny bathing suit.

It's Spring Break 1984.

Groups like The Go-Go's and The Tubes will entertain the Florida beach crowds and Jan & Dean and The Fabulous Thunderbirds will perform on South Padre Island.

MTV, Music Television, will be broadcasting off and on from the beach party at Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. on March 21.

The Go-Go's will give a free concert at Ft. Walton Beach in Florida on April 21.

Ft. Walton is on the state's

northwest coast, on the Gulf of Mexico. It's a year-round resort with beaches, fresh water and deep-sea fishing.

Florida's Daytona Beach also is a popular year-round resort noted for its hard, white beach.

Ft. Lauderdale has one of the largest marinas in the world and one of the most popular beaches in the state.

Wherever you go, remember to travel light, be prepared for hot days and cold nights, drive carefully, don't speed, don't stay out in the sun too long, take plenty of money and take care of your money, don't drink too much and have fun.

A chain of pit-stops will be located on the Georgia and Florida highways to encourage students to stop and rest during their trek to the Florida beaches.

For more information about beaches and other Spring Break possibilities, call the Chamber of Commerce of the city you are considering visiting.

Some numbers you might be interested in are:

Daytona Beach, Fla. (904) 255-0981.

Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. (305) 462-6000.

South Padre Island (512) 943-2262.

Ft. Walton Beach, Fla. (904) 244-8191.

Palm Springs, Calif. (619) 325-1577.

