

Approval for Travel to a Non-State-Sanctioned Activity, Out-of-State

RHS Orchestra

January 8, 2008

SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval of a request by Ryan High School Orchestras for travel to Festival Disney in Orlando, Florida, April 17-20, 2008.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- No previous action has been taken or requested.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Travel approval is requested for 21 students and 5 sponsors/chaperones.
- Students will travel by scheduled air charter bus carrier.
- Students will be provided an opportunity to have orchestral skills evaluated by expert judges.
- Expenses are to be paid by students and the orchestra organization; no DISD funds will be used.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- Students will miss two days of classes.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- The campus will provide a substitute teacher for two days.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Passage will allow ample time for fundraising activities and completing reservations.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- None

ALTERNATIVES:

- No alternative actions are proposed.

OTHER COMMENTS:

- Board policy requires board approval of such travel two months in advance.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

- Recommend approval of the RHS Orchestra request for permission to travel out-of-state to Festival Disney in Orlando, Florida, April 17-20, 2008.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- David McCullar, Director of Fine Arts
- Jamie Wilson, Deputy Superintendent

ATTACHMENT:

- Request for Travel, Non-State-Sanctioned Activities
- Itinerary

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: David McCullar

Comments: _____

Signature of Divisional Leader: J. K. Wilson

Comments: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____

Denton Independent School District Request for Out of State Student Travel

I. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Campus Ryan HS Date of Request 11/25/07
 School Organization Orchestra Activity Sponsor Tami Peterson

II. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED TRAVEL

Destination(s)** Orlando, FL
 Description of Activities or Events Compete in Festival Disney, visit the various Disney parks
 Dates of Travel April 17-20, 2008 Mode of Travel Airplane/Bus
 Number of Student Participants 21 Number of Adult Sponsors/Chaperones 5
 Educational Purposes and Value The students will be competing with other orchestras from throughout the country, and will have the opportunity to receive feedback from judges from outside Texas. This will give them more of a broad perspective on their progress and abilities. Many of these students have not traveled extensively, so hopefully, this experience will open up new possibilities for them in the future.

** Attach copy of proposed itinerary

III. SOURCE OF FUNDING

Source	Amount
<input type="checkbox"/> District Title 1	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Students (personal)	<u>*\$750</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Organization	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising Activities***	<u>to be determined</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	_____
Total Cost of Activity	\$18,750
Estimated Cost/Student	\$750

***Description of Fund Raising Activities (if required)

Concessions, pie sales, bake sales, Valentine rose sales

*Once fundraising totals are in, that amount will be divided by the number of students attending, and all students' costs will be lowered equally.

IV. ORGANIZATIONAL REVIEW / APPROVAL

Principal	<u>Vernon Reeves</u> NAME	<u>[Signature]</u> SIGNATURE	_____ DATE OF APPROVAL
School Operations	<u>[Signature]</u> NAME	<u>[Signature]</u> SIGNATURE	_____ DATE OF APPROVAL
Superintendent	<u>[Signature]</u> NAME	<u>[Signature]</u> SIGNATURE	_____ DATE OF APPROVAL
Board President	_____ NAME	_____ SIGNATURE	_____ DATE OF APPROVAL

*Reference Policy FMG (L)



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September 17, 2007

PROPOSED ITINERARY

FLIGHTS as Follow:

25 Passengers

2646V 03APR Q DFWMCO 745A 1115A
2077V 06APR S MCODFW 320P 510P

WILL HOLD UNTIL 09/23/07

Thursday

April 17, 2008.

4:30am – 1/25 Passenger Buss will spot at Ryan HS

5:00am – Depart for DFW airport

7:45am - AA Flight out of DFW (25 passengers)

11:15am – Arrive Orlando

Upon arrival to Orlando airport 1/25 passenger bus will meet the group at the airport for shuttle to your hotel.

11:00am – Hotel check in

REQUEST FOR PERFORMANCE - TBA

Performance will be held at Saratoga Springs Resort

Award Ceremony – Time and Location TBA

Final schedule for this day will be based on performance time.

Evening will be free to visit Downtown Disney:

**in big-city fun in an area alive with excitement, unique shops, restaurants and entertainment!
Explore Downtown Disney® Marketplace, home to the largest Disney character store in the world;
Downtown Disney West Side, with its top-notch restaurants, theaters, shows and amusement; and
Pleasure Island, a partier's paradise of live performances.**

9:00pm – Bus will pick the group for shuttle back to hotel.

Friday
April 18, 2008

7:30am – 8:30am Breakfast at your hotel
8:45am - Bus will spot at your hotel for shuttle to Magic Kingdom.
9:00am - Arrive Magic Kingdom
11:00pm – Bus will spot at Magic Kingdom for your shuttle back to hotel.

Saturday
April 19, 2008

7:30am – 8:30am Breakfast at your hotel
8:45am – Bus spot at the hotel
9:00am – Arrive Epcot Center
1:00pm - Group will take the Disney shuttle to MGM Studios
11:00pm – Bus will spot at MGM Studio for shuttle back to your hotel.

Sunday
April 20, 2008

7:00am – 7:45am Breakfast at your hotel
7:45am – Hotel Check out for the exception of one room to hold luggage in.
8:00am – bus will spot at your hotel for shuttle to Animal Kingdom.
12:30pm – Bus will spot at Animal Kingdom, shuttle to hotel pick up luggage, load on bus and continue on to Orlando airport for your return HOME
3:20pm – Depart Orlando airport
5:10pm – Arrive
Flight departs at 3:20pm to arrive DFW 5:10pm