

Denton Independent School District Request for Out of State Student Travel

I. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Campus Guyer High School Date of Request 8/29/08
 School Organization German American Partnership Program Activity Sponsor Stephen Shade

II. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED TRAVEL

Destination(s)** Holloman Air Force Base, Alamogordo, NM; White Sands National Monument, NM; Cloudcroft, NM; Roswell, NM
 Description of Activities or Events Please see attached sheet.

Dates of Travel 10/15 - 10/19 Mode of Travel Lone Star Charter Bus
 Number of Student Participants 17 American & 17 German Number of Adult Sponsors/Chaperones Six
 Educational Purposes and Value Please see attached sheet.

** Attach copy of proposed itinerary

III. SOURCE OF FUNDING

Source	Amount
<input type="checkbox"/> District Title 1	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Students (personal)	\$325
<input type="checkbox"/> Organization	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising Activities***	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
Total Cost of Activity	\$11000
Estimated Cost/Student	\$325

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

IV. ORGANIZATIONAL REVIEW / APPROVAL

Principal	<u>Barbara Fischer</u>	<u>Barbara Fischer</u>	<u>9/15/08</u>
	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE OF APPROVAL
School Operations	<u>Jamie Wilson</u>	<u>Jamie Wilson</u>	
	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE OF APPROVAL
Superintendent			
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Board President			
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*Reference Policy FMG (L)

The German American Partnership Program (GAPP) has been a part of Denton ISD since 2000, with the exchange taking place every other year. This October marks our fifth time to host. Seventeen students and two teachers of the Alexander von Humboldt Oberschule (AvH) will be hosted for three weeks by 17 students and two teachers from Guyer High School. We will be traveling to AvH in June to attend their school for three weeks. As part of our experience in Germany, the hosts take us on a four day excursion to the Baroque city of Dresden and for a day's hike in the Sandstone Mountains that boarder the Czech Republic.

While we have no Baroque cities to offer our guests when they come here, in the spirit of German-American partnership, we take them on an excursion to Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico. Within the American base is a self-contained German Luftwaffe base where German pilots train on their Tornado jet fighters as a part of NATO. We meet some of the German soldiers, tour the facilities (including the fighter jets), and hear about German experience in the United States. We also take them for an all-day tour of White Sands National Monument as well as a hike in the mountains near the Sierra Blanca. We will also tour the UFO museum in Roswell (for a taste of true Americana).

Our trip will begin on Wednesday, October 15th at 1 p.m. (right after the PSAT) and we will return on Sunday, October 19th:

Wednesday: Drive to Roswell

Thursday: Tour UFO museum; mountain hike; travel to Alamogordo

Friday: Tour the German base and the lake where White Sands begins

Saturday: Visit and hike White Sands National Monument

Sunday: Return to Denton

We see the excursion as an integral part of the exchange: it presents an opportunity for the students to bond with their partners beyond the environments of home and school and gives them the global perspective of American and German cooperation in the strategic alliance of NATO.