



## Governing Board Agenda Item

Meeting Date: February 13, 2025

From: Matt Uden, Rattlesnake Ridge Elementary School Principal

Subject: Out-of-State Travel

Priority: To provide rigorous, relevant, and innovative academics

Consent  Action  Discussion

### **Background:**


I would like to request permission for Rattlesnake Ridge Elementary School 6th grade students and three staff members to travel to Buena Park, California to attend the Knott's Physics Adventure trip on April 23 - 25, 2025.

Students in 6th grade will culminate their physics studies, as well as life sciences by completing a series of activities throughout the trip. The educational focus of the trip is the scientific inquiry process: observing, questioning, hypothesizing, investigating, testing, analyzing, concluding, and communicating about scientific endeavors. The students will also relate science as a human endeavor as they learn about professions related to physics and engineering including how technology has changed over time. Students will explore the physics of roller coasters and other components of an amusement park through a guided energy in motion workshop. Through this, students will ask questions, observe, and hypothesize before "becoming the experiment" on the ride. Students will investigate and test theories then analyze and make conclusions afterwards. Students will reflect with the workshop leaders on their experiences and relate them to others throughout the day.

Students will complete a series of life and physical science activities and explorations on the bus ride to and from California. Students will also interact with a variety of ecosystems and animal life at the California Science Center. Here students will engage in hands-on interactions with the exhibits to build their understanding of the world around them and make arguments and inferences about human, plant, and animal interactions, as well as the impact they have on Earth.

**Recommended Motion:**

I move that the Governing Board approve out-of-state travel for Rattlesnake Ridge Elementary School 6th grade students and three staff members to travel to Buena Park, California to attend the Knott's Physics Adventure trip on April 23 - 25, 2025.

Approved for transmittal to the Governing Board:   
Dr. Daniel Streeter, Superintendent

*Questions should be directed to: Matt Uden, Rattlesnake Ridge Elementary School Principal  
Phone: (520) 352-7000*



**Governing Board Agenda Item**

Meeting Date: February 13, 2025  
From: Kristin Reidy, Assistant Superintendent  
Subject: Out-of-State Travel  
Priority: To provide rigorous, relevant, and innovative academics  
Consent  Action  Discussion

**Background:**

I would like to request permission for Elliot Beck to travel to Chula Vista, California to attend the Curated High Tech High School Visits for Educators on February 21, 2025.

Elliot Beck will be teaching math at Marana Vista Academy next year. Over the Rodeo Break, he will be traveling to San Diego, California and would like to spend a day participating in the Curated High Tech High School Visit for Educators on February 21. High Tech High (HTH) is a group of schools known for innovation and Project-Based Learning (PBL) systems. While attending, Mr. Beck will work with the HTH staff and other educators as they dive into the project-based learning model for a full-day visit. This immersive experience includes a HTH 101 presentation, student-led tours of the schools, independent exploration time, and catered lunch discussions with teachers and/or school leaders.


The estimated costs related to attending the High Tech High School Visit for Educators are listed below:

Expense	Cost	Funding Source
Registration	\$250.00	
Hotel	\$169	
Airfare	N/A	
Meals	\$81.50	
Substitute	N/A	

Other: shuttle, parking, taxi, etc.	N/A	
Vehicle Rental	N/A	
District Vehicle - Fuel Estimate	N/A	
Personal Vehicle - Mileage Reimbursement	N/A	
Total	\$500.50	

**Recommended Motion:**

I move that the Governing Board approve out-of-state travel for Elliot Beck to travel to Chula Vista, California to attend the Curated High Tech High School Visits for Educators On February 21, 2025.

Approved for transmittal to the Governing Board:   
 Dr. Daniel Streeter, Superintendent

*Questions should be directed to: Kristin Reidy, Assistant Superintendent  
 Phone: (520) 682-4757*