

SUBJECT: Consideration and possible approval for a Dobie HS student and teacher to travel to Washington, DC, on June 10-11, 2025, to attend the Congressional Institute's Art Awards Reception.

BACKGROUND: Students from all over Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia's 29th district competed in a visual arts contest which promotes and recognizes students from surrounding high schools. Only one winner is chosen from the many submissions of various artworks, and Cassandra Perez was awarded first place and received a trip opportunity to attend the national reception in Washington, D.C. Her artwork will also hang for an entire year in the Capitol Building for all visitors to see.

Student and teacher will travel via airplane to Washington DC. All chaperones are trained in school district policy regarding responsibilities and duties prior to the trips. All rules of conduct established by the school district will be strictly enforced. A contingency plan for travel and health advisories will be followed if needed.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The financial implication for the district is approximately \$800. Dobie HS budget will be utilized to fund the student hotel, teacher hotel, and teacher's flights. Student and parent flights are covered by the congressional office

The estimated flight cost is \$350, and hotels are \$450.

All student travel guidelines and expectations will be followed according to Pasadena Independent School District policy.

RECOMMENDATION: We recommend approval for a Dobie HS student and teacher to travel to Washington, DC, on June 10-11, 2025, to attend Congressional Institute's Art Awards Reception.

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BOARD MEETING DATE: May 27, 2025