

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

January 8, 2008

SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval of a request by Guyer High School Orchestra for travel to Festival Disney in Orlando, Florida, April 3-6, 2008.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- No previous action has been taken or requested.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Travel approval is requested for 74 students and 12 sponsors/chaperones.
- Students will travel by scheduled air and charter bus carriers.
- Students will be provided an opportunity to have orchestra skills evaluated.
- 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 pay for a substitute for two days of classes.

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 GHS Orchestra request for permission to travel out-of-state to Festival Disney in Orlando, Florida, April 3-6, 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: JW
Comments: _____
Signature of Superintendent: _____
Comments: _____

Denton Independent School District Request for Out of State Student Travel

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I. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Campus John H. Guyer High School Date of Request November 26th, 2007
 School Organization Orchestra Activity Sponsor Michelle Brians

II. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED TRAVEL

Destination(s)** Orlando, FL
 Description of Activities or Events Participation in Festival Disney adjudicated competition and concert and time to visit Disney Theme Parks.
 Dates of Travel April 3rd-April 6th, 2008 Mode of Travel Airplane, Charter Bus
 Number of Student Participants 74 Number of Adult Sponsors/Chaperones 10 / 2
 Educational Purposes and Value Students will perform for a panel of judges who will complete critique sheets on their performance and they will be competing against other schools from around the country. The students will also get to listen to the performances of some school groups from all over the nation.

** Attach copy of proposed itinerary

III. SOURCE OF FUNDING

Source	Amount
<input type="checkbox"/> District Title 1	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Students (personal)	\$725 ***
<input type="checkbox"/> Organization	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising Activities***	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	_____
Total Cost of Activity	\$59,400
Estimated Cost/Student	\$725

***Description of Fund Raising Activities (if required)
 Pizza and Cooke Dough Sale, Magazine Fundraiser, Pies and Braids Sale, String Fling Program Ads, Garage Sale. All students are encouraged to participate to lower the overall cost of the trip.

IV. ORGANIZATIONAL REVIEW / APPROVAL

Principal	<u>Barbara Fischer</u> NAME	<u>Barbara Fischer</u> SIGNATURE	<u>11/26/07</u> 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)

Proposed Itinerary

Thursday

April 03, 2008 3:30am – 1/57 Passenger Buss will spot at Guyer HS
4:00am – Depart for DFW airport
6:45am – AA Flight out of DFW
10:00am – AA Flight out of DFW
7:45am - AA Flight out of DFW
11:15am – Arrive Orlando
Upon arrival to Orlando airport 1/57 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 04, 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 05, 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 06, 2008 7:00am – 8:00am Breakfast at your hotel
8:00am – Hotel Check out for the exception of a couple of rooms to hold luggage in.
8:15am – bus will spot at your hotel for shuttle to Animal Kingdom.
1:00pm – 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
5:00pm – Depart Orlando airport
6:55pm – Arrive
Flight departs at 5:00pm to arrive DFW 6:50pm