Albert Lea Band & Orchestra New York City Trip Proposal

1. How the trip is related to the activity

Students in band and orchestra will be performing at least once at a retirement community. They will also get a tour of Radio City Music Hall and attend a Broadway Show.

2. Location to be visited, general itinerary, and number of school days involved

The proposed trip is to New York City. We would leave after school Friday, March 13th and return on Wednesday, March 18th. Students would not be missing any school. They would use six days of their Spring Break days. Some of the items that would be on the itinerary would be:

Visit Rockefeller Center See Time Square Go to the 86th floor Empire State Building Travel on a Statue Cruise Ferry to Ellis Island Visit the Ellis Island National Immigration Museum Visit the 9/11 Memorial and Museum

3. Transportation Plans

We will be traveling by coach bus

4. Housing Plans

We will be staying at a hotel four nights and driving overnight once each way

5. Probable number of students involved

We are hoping to have 40-50 students involved and 5 adult chaperones in addition to the teachers.

6. Approximate individual cost

We are working with a tour company; the cost is approximately \$1,600 per person. We are trying to get the cost down to \$1,200 with funds from our 21 account and donations at concerts. This price includes a few of the students' meals on the trip. Chaperones will be asked to pay for their trip. We are working on lowering costs but the price of fuel is what is driving the price up.

Plans for funding the trip, including a process for assisting families with financial needs, and how these plans are to be communicated with parents and students We will be doing a variety of fundraisers including:

- Pastry Puffins
- □ Club's Choice Fundraising
- Butterbraid Fundraiser
- □ Christmas Wreath sales
- Money from the donation box at concerts will go to help reduce costs for students going on the trip

All fundraisers are introduced during class and information is sent home to parents. Through donations, we usually have some need-based assistance available for students who are having difficulty paying for the trip.