

HOTEL, RESTAURANT & TRAVEL MANAGEMENT

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Vicksburg Board of Education
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Dear Board Members:

Imagine the ULTIMATE learning experience. One that students anxiously anticipate and pursue with vigor; an experience which transcends reality - DISNEY WORLD in Orlando, Florida.

The Hotel, Restaurant & Travel Management Program concentrates on knowledge and skills as it relates to the Hospitality industry. It seems logical that students be given the opportunity to learn from THE GREATEST teacher of all time - Walt Disney.

I would like to request permission to take approximately 20 students from the program to Disney World between Thursday, **February 25, 2016** through Monday, **February 29 2016**. Many of the students will only miss 2 days of school because Monday is already designated as midwinter break. There will be **1 teacher and 7 parent chaperones**.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

The students will:

1. Increase their level of understanding and involvement as they interact with 21st century learning environments that directly relate to concepts studied in school,
2. Increase their awareness of the impact of learning on their lives as they experience classroom concepts in concrete forms,
3. Experience learning as an interactive, applicable, life-long process,
4. Experience learning as an enjoyable event and increase their participation in the process,
5. Interact with professionals in various fields of study and interest,
6. Discover new interests and skills to develop and incorporate back in the classroom,
7. Develop their ability to gather information, think about it critically and apply it to situations around them,
8. Be exposed to an environment that enhances: their attainment of knowledge; critical thinking skills; and awareness of attitudes, feelings and values,

9. Gain an understanding of the world through education and experience,
10. Become motivated for school, careers and life--as they see learning come alive!

CURRENT STATUS

Students have researched the Disney's Youth Education Series behind the scenes educational program. They have selected the following:



Exploring Careers in the Zoological Sciences |

Journey behind the scenes and on select attractions to explore "wild" careers in zoology and discover the innovative ways that Disney staff promote animal care and well-being.

4. Managing Your Personal Brand | Managing Your Personal Brand | Disney Youth Education Series

Formulate strategies for personal and professional success, start planning for a promising future, and discover how to navigate unexpected career highs and lows.

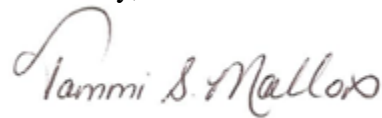


Please refer to the Disney Budget. The only deposit, which has been made, is \$50.00 per person to hold seats on Southwest Airlines. This deposit is fully refundable if given proper notification on or before the end of October. I am waiting for board approval before securing further arrangements as listed on the itinerary. I have already hosted a parent information meeting.

Attached is an organized report of all planned activities with supporting documentation.

THANK YOU!

Sincerely,



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