

School Board Meeting/Workshop:

January 27, 2020

Subject:

Out-of-State Trip
Special Ed – Washington DC

Presenter:

Jen Heebink
BHS Special Education Teacher

SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:

Request final approval

DESCRIPTION:

Dates: February 9-12, 2020

The purpose of the Capitol Hill Day trip to Washington D.C. is to share the power that Unified PE/Bison Connection:Unified Club has had at Buffalo High School and advocate for the re-signing of the Eunice Kennedy Shriver Bill.

- A student with and a student without disabilities (a Unified Pair) will travel with Jen Heebink to Washington D.C. along with a MN Special Olympics representative.
- The pair and Jen will have a 2-3 hour workshop on how to speak with senators to share their Buffalo High School/Unified stories and how it has shaped the culture at BHS.
- During the workshop, the group will meet and network with Unified Pairs/staff along with Special Olympics staff from around the United States.
- On Capitol Hill Day, the students and Jen will make appointments and meet with Senators to share their Buffalo High School Unified stories and advocate for the Eunice Kennedy Shriver Bill that helps fund opportunities for people with and without disabilities to compete together and continue what is happening at Buffalo High School across the United States.
- Site seeing memorials and museums.
- All costs covered by Special Olympics
- Students will be responsible for their own transportation to and from the airport.