

**Ector County Independent School District
Odessa, TX**

Memorandum

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Hector Mendez, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL FOR ECISD
MIGRANT STUDENTS**

DATE: March 27, 2012

Attached is a Summer Trip requesting permission for ECISD Migrant Students to travel to Washington, DC. The trip is scheduled for June 17, 2012 through June 22, 2012 to attend a CLOSE UP Youth Leadership Conference.

The trip will provide the students with unique opportunities that might not otherwise be available to them. Students will compose an agenda and will present it to both Senate and House leaders from our congressional district in Texas. The conference incorporates enrichment active such as trips to the Smithsonian, the Holocaust Museum, national monuments and memorials, visits to the Capitol, White House and the opportunity to enjoy a live performance at the Kennedy Center. They will have the opportunity to meet, converse and learn with students from throughout the United States. Leadership and enrichment opportunities are addressed in our Migrant Action Plan, the District Improvement Plan and in the yearly grant application to TEA.

The migrant grant will cover all expenses for five (5) students and two (2) chaperones.

It is recommended that the Migrant Students travel request to Washington, DC from June 17, 2012 through June 22, 2012 be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Hector Mendez
Superintendent of Schools

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