

Zionsville Community Schools

Board of School Trustees Meeting "Item for Consideration"

Consent Agenda • Date: February 9, 2026

Out-of-State/Overnight Field Trip

Category:

_____ Human Resources, Personnel/Staffing	_____ Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment	_____ Board Policy
_____ Finance, Budgeting, Accounting	<u> X </u> Student Services	_____ Other
_____ Facilities, Transportation, Nutrition	_____ Community Relations	

Type of Board of Trustees Consideration Sought:

Action	<u> X </u>
Discussion	_____
Report	_____

Facts of this Matter:

The ZCHS Girls Tennis team has the opportunity to travel to the Western Southern Open Tennis Tournament in Cincinnati, Ohio on August 15-16, 2026. If approved, they would be taking a school bus and depart from the 875 Athletic Complex and return the next evening. Overnight accommodations would be at Hilton Garden Inn in Mason, Ohio. ZCHS Athletic Director Greg Schellhase has reviewed and approved their travel itinerary.

Transportation	School bus transportation.
Parent Permission Obtained	The head coach will send an email to the parents and players with the details needed for the trip. Students are not required to attend; it is optional based on parent decision.
Cost to Students/Families	Kings Island tickets, Western Southern Open tickets and hotel will be paid for by the families who are attending. The anticipated number of participants is 50, including parent chaperones. Approximate cost is \$150 per person.
About Supervision	Head Coach Alex Wittenbaum and an assistant coach will be chaperoning this trip, as well as several parents.
Outline COVID Protocols	If a student or coach is having any symptoms of COVID, they will not attend this event.
Trip Insurance Plan and Refund Procedure (if there is one)	All tickets are purchased by individuals, and they will bring their own spending money.

Objective POSITIVES related to this item or approach:

This experience will build team camaraderie as well as allow athletes to learn from the pros during this professional tournament. This event will take place over the weekend, and thus students will not miss any school.

Financial Implications, if any:

There only cost to the district is transportation, each family will pay for their own tickets.

Opinion/Recommendation:

This trip is recommended for approval.