

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

**Memorandum**

**TO:** Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Hector Mendez, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF OESSA HIGH SCHOOL BAND  
OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL**

**DATE:** July 20, 2010

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The Odessa High School Band is requesting permission to travel to Chicago, IL on March 11-14, 2011. While in Illinois, the students will perform in the St. Patrick's Day Parade and attend several different performances and shows. The students will also tour the area.

The cost of the trip will be approximately \$1100 per person. Numerous fund-raisers will be provided for students to raise the money. There will be approximately 165 students and adults traveling with the organization.

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It is recommended that the Odessa High School Band trip to Branson, Illinois be approved.

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Respectfully submitted,

**Hector Mendez**  
Superintendent of Schools

**Shawn Bell**  
Executive Director for Fine Arts