

Zionsville Community Schools

Board of School Trustees Meeting “Item for Consideration”

Consent Agenda • Date: May 12, 2025

Out-of-State/Overnight Field Trip

Category:

<input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources, Personnel/Staffing	<input type="checkbox"/> Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment	
<input type="checkbox"/> Finance, Budgeting, Accounting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Student Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Board Policy
<input type="checkbox"/> Facilities, Transportation, Nutrition	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Relations	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

Type of Board of Trustees Consideration Sought:

Action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Discussion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Report	<input type="checkbox"/>

Facts of this Matter:

1. Travel destination and dates: Nashville, Indiana July 17, 2025 – July 19, 2025
2. Who is attending: 8 Zionsville Community High School yearbook editors, 1 ZCHS teacher
3. Synopsis of the trip: Students will attend an intense two-day theme workshop focused on advancing their journalism skills and planning for the next school year. Participating in this workshop during the summer allows the editors the unique opportunity to receive a professional critique and advice for making improvements in the yearbook while still in the early stages of planning and creation. This workshop will provide a greater amount of collaboration time for the top editors and work sessions with professionals and journalism experts. Students will explore and learn to implement journalism trends and apply to student media.
4. Administrator approving: Matt Walter, ZCHS assistant principal

Transportation	School Van
Parent Permission Obtained	Parents will receive details of the trip and sign the overnight field trip over the summer, at least 4 weeks prior to the trip.
Cost to Students/Families	Costs of some student meals on the trip, approximately \$50.
About Supervision	Yearbook adviser Lauren Wagner will attend. If Lauren Wagner is unable to attend the trip will be cancelled.
Trip Insurance Plan and Refund Procedure (if there is one)	Full refund for hotel costs are available until 48 hours before the trip.

Objective POSITIVES related to this item or approach:

Students will practice soft skills as well as design skills when interacting with design professionals. Students will have the opportunity to see how other students from other schools approach similar goals and challenges. The nature of the workshop will allow editors to bring back an actionable plan and teachable skills to share with other yearbook students.

Objective NEGATIVES related to this item or approach:

Editors miss some days of summer break and may have conflicting summer commitments. The nature of the workshop only allows editors to attend instead of the whole yearbook staff.

Financial Implications, if any:

Transportation: School Van

Hotel: \$167 per night for 2 nights x 4 rooms = \$1002 (based on triple occupancy for student rooms)

Group Meal/food: \$200

Total: \$1202

Paid for by ZCHS Aerie funds: \$1202

Paid for by students/families: costs of some meals on trip, approximately \$50

Paid for by district: Expenses for use of the corporation van

Prices are based on 8 students and 1 teacher

Opinion/Recommendation:

This trip is recommended for approval.