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Regular Board Meeting

July 21, 2025

AGENDA SECTION: Consent Item

SUBJECT: Consider approval of Duncanville High School High Hats to travel to Washington, D.C., to perform in the 2026 National Cherry Blossom Parade.

BOARD POLICY: FMG (Local)

STRATEGIC GOAL(S): Focus on Student, Families, and Community Connections

FISCAL NOTE: *\$650 (Charter Bus, Lodging, Meals: Breakfast & Dinner, Activities, & Attractions)*

PREPARED/PRESENTED BY: Dr. Sam Nix, Chief Academic Officer

Background Information

The Duncanville High School High Hats Drill Team has been invited to represent our district in the prestigious **2026 National Cherry Blossom Parade**, April 9–13, 2026, in Washington, D.C. Students will perform in the nationally televised zone and the parade's opening production, gaining broad artistic exposure while serving as ambassadors for Duncanville ISD. The itinerary also includes a rehearsal workshop, guided tours of the National Mall monuments, visits to Smithsonian museums (including the National Museum of African American History & Culture), and a farewell dinner cruise on the Potomac River—all of which provide rich cultural, historical, and civic-engagement learning experiences. Only two instructional days will be missed, and all chaperones will receive district background clearance.

Recommendation

The administration recommends the Board approve out-of-state travel for the Duncanville High School High Hats to participate in the National Cherry Blossom Parade, April 9–13, 2026, in Washington, D.C.

Communication Deployment

- Board Meeting Minutes
- District Website

Suggested Motion

I move that the Board approve out-of-state travel for the Duncanville High School High Hats to perform in the 2026 National Cherry Blossom Parade in Washington, D.C., April 9–13, 2026.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dr. T. Lamar Goree
Superintendent