

**Approval for Travel to a Non-State-Sanctioned Activity, In-State  
RHS Orchestra**

January 23, 2007

**SUMMARY:**

- This item requests approval of a request by Ryan High School Orchestra for travel to the South Coast Music Festival in Galveston/Houston, Texas on April 27-29, 2007.

**PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:**

- No previous action has been taken or requested.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

- Travel approval is requested for 16 students and 4 sponsors/chaperones.
- Students will travel by scheduled charter bus carrier.
- Students will be provided an opportunity to have orchestra skills evaluated.
- Expenses are to be paid by students and the orchestra organization; no DISD funds will be used.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:**

- Students will miss one day of classes.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

- The campus will pay for a substitute teacher for one day.

**BENEFIT OF ACTION:**

- Passage will allow ample time for fundraising activities and completing reservations.

**PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:**

- None

**PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:**

- None

**ALTERNATIVES:**

- No alternative actions are proposed.

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

- Board policy requires board approval of such travel two months in advance.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:**

- Recommend approval of the RHS Orchestra request for permission to travel in-state to the South Coast Music Festival in Galveston/Houston, Texas, April 27-29, 2007.

**STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:**

- David McCullar, Director of Fine Arts
- Jamie Wilson, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Academic Programs

**ATTACHMENT:**

- Request for Travel, Non-State-Sanctioned Activities
- Itinerary

**APPROVAL:**

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: David McCullar  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Divisional Leader: J. Wilson  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

## Denton Independent School District Request for Travel Non State-Sanctioned Activities\*

### I. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Campus Ryan HS Date of Request December 19, 2006  
 School Organization Orchestra Activity Sponsor Tami Peterson

### II. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED TRAVEL

Destination(s)\*\* Galveston and Houston, TX  
 Description of Activities or Events Perform in the South Coast Music Festival, hear the Houston Symphony with violinist Itzhak Perlman, visit Moody Gardens and Aquarium  
 Dates of Travel April 27-29, 2007 Mode of Travel charter bus  
 Number of Student Participants 16 (more may be added) Number of Adult Sponsors/Chaperones 3 plus director  
 Educational Purposes and Value Perform for judges, compete against quality orchestras from Texas and elsewhere, listen to other high school orchestras,hear world-renowned violinist Itzhak Perlman with the Houston Symphony, explore other parts of Texas

\*\* Attach copy of proposed itinerary

### III. SOURCE OF FUNDING

Source	Amount
<input type="checkbox"/> District Title 1	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Students (personal)	\$540
<input type="checkbox"/> Organization	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising Activities***	<small>depends on state/fundraising</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	_____
<b>Total Cost of Activity</b>	<b>\$10,400</b>
<b>Estimated Cost/Student</b>	<b>\$ 540</b>

\*\*\*Description of Fund Raising Activities (if required)

\*Students have the opportunity to earn funds through the following:  
 Garage sales, bake sales, brochure sales, other food item sales

### IV. ORGANIZATIONAL REVIEW / APPROVAL

Principal	<u>Vernon Reeves</u> NAME	<u>[Signature]</u> SIGNATURE	DATE OF APPROVAL
School Operations	<u>David McCullae</u> NAME	<u>David McCullae</u> SIGNATURE	<u>12-20-06</u> DATE OF APPROVAL
Superintendent	_____ NAME	_____ SIGNATURE	_____ DATE OF APPROVAL
Board President	_____ NAME	_____ SIGNATURE	_____ DATE OF APPROVAL

\*Reference Policy FMG (L)

## Trip Includes

- ❖ Round trip luxury motor coach from Denton to Galveston
- ❖ 2 nights deluxe quad-accommodations in beachfront hotel  
(1 Chaperone per 8 students, maximum)
- ❖ Breakfast in hotel each morning
- ❖ Security in hotel hallways each night
- ❖ Sunday afternoon at the Houston Symphony – Itzhak Perlman!
- ❖ Performance in the South Coast Music Festival at the 1894 Grand Opera House
- ❖ Shopping on the Historic Strand
- ❖ Dinner down on wharf area and Mountsasia
- ❖ Fun evening at Kemah Boardwalk with dinner
- ❖ Great afternoon at Stewart Beach, right on the Gulf of Mexico
- ❖ Visit to Moody Gardens with the IMAX theater and Aquarium
- ❖ World View Travel Escort

### PRICE PER PERSON

\$540.00\*

\*based on 25 travelers  
and one bus