

Southwest Independent School District

MEMO

Date: 2/28/2025

To: Dr. Jeanette Ball

From: Salina Paloma-Scott-Big Country Principal
Reuben Madrigal - Director of Advanced Academics

RE: Overnight Trip



Request SWISD Board or Trustees approval for an overnight trip for:

Texas Destination Imagination
ORGANIZATION

Whitney Fullmer-BCE
SPONSOR

2026 Destination Imagination Texas Lone Star Finals
EVENT

ADDITIONAL SPONSOR

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April 10-12, 2026
DATE(S) OF EVENT

ADDITIONAL SPONSOR
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OF STUDENT MALE FEMALE

University of Texas at Arlington
LOCATION OF EVENT

Aloft Arlington South
NAME OF HOTEL/MOTEL

April 10, 2025-10:00 am
DEPARTURE TIME

April 12, 2026
RETURN TIME

Charter Bus
MODE OF TRANSPORTATION

\$4,855.00
ESTIMATED COST TO DISTRICT

EXPLANATION OF ACTIVITIES:

The Destination Imagination Texas Lone Star Finals is the state-level tournament for Texas teams that advanced from each region. During the event, student teams present their long-term Challenge solutions—projects they have developed over several months in areas such as engineering, science, fine arts, improvisation, and service learning. Teams showcase their creativity through performances, technical builds, research displays, and innovative designs, which are evaluated by trained volunteer appraisers.

In addition to their prepared presentations, teams complete an Instant Challenge, where they must think critically and collaborate to solve a problem on the spot. The event also includes opening and closing ceremonies, team celebrations, and an awards program recognizing outstanding creativity, teamwork, and innovation.

Signature of Requestor

3/3/26

Date

Administrator Signature

3/3/26

Date