

# Approval for Travel to a Non-State-Sanctioned Activity, In-State

## SMS Band

January 20, 2015

### SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval of a request by the Strickland Middle School Band for travel to the Director's Choice Music Festival in San Antonio, Texas, May 1-3, 2015.

### PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- No previous action has been taken or requested.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Travel approval is requested for 39 students and 8 sponsors/chaperones.
- Students will travel by scheduled charter bus.
- Students will be provided an opportunity to have instrumental skills evaluated.
- Expenses are to be paid by students and the band 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 SMS Band request for permission to travel in-state to the Director's Choice Music Festival in San Antonio, Texas, May 1-3, 2015.

### STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- David McCullar, Director of Fine Arts
- David Hicks, Executive Director of Secondary Academic Programs

### ATTACHMENT:

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

### APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Divisional Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_