

Aztec Municipal School District Field Trip Request

The Tigers Paws Dance Team respectfully requests permission to travel to Tingley Coliseum

Points to Consider Before Requesting Approval

Appropriate for the age level, grade level, and curriculum?

Board of Education: (If required per Board Policy IJOA)

- □ All district employees will travel on the bus unless prior approval by the Principal?
- □ Request made long enough in advance so that arrangements can be made prior to the trip?
- □ Written permission must be obtained from the parents or legal guardians?
- □ Have these students attended this trip or a similar trip in the past three years?

Justification for Trip – How does this trip align with your school's current 90 Day Plan, the learning standards in your classroom, and how it will improve the learning of your students? See Attached Date(s) of Trip: $\frac{2/6/26 \text{ to } 2/7/2026}{2/6/26 \text{ to } 2/7/2026}$ Time of Departure: 3:30 p.m. Time you will Arrive Back: 8:30 p.m. 2/7 Names of Adult Chaperones: Sarah Cruz & Madison Blair Estimated Cost of The Trip: \$ 915.43 Please attach an itemized list of costs. Will fundraisers be used to secure funds for this trip? A Yes No Please attach a list of approved fundraisers. Name of Person Making Request: Sarah Cruz Date Request Submitted: 12/8/2025 Approved by: Principal/Athletic and Activities Director: Date 12/10125 Superintendent: Date

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Field trips must be planned within the context of the school program and must be appropriate for the age level, grade level, and curriculum. Due to limitations imposed by local conditions, field trips may be limited by the Superintendent. All field trips must be specifically approved by the Superintendent long enough in advance so that arrangements can be made prior to the trip. Before any student is taken from the school grounds on a field trip, written permission must be obtained from the parents or legal guardians. Transportation shall be provided only by District vehicles, driven by authorized personnel.

In general, field trips shall be conducted within the normal school day and shall be limited to a distance of not more than one hundred (100) miles one (1) way from the school. Longer trips or overnight trips must have Board approval. The District will not sponsor, approve, support, or encourage field trips that do not meet the criteria outlined in this policy, unless the Board gives approval after a presentation justifying the specific need for the exception.

Adopted: April 14, 2020

FIELD TRIPS

As a middle school dance team, we are requesting approval to travel to the Spirit of Hope Challenge as an overnight competition because it provides valuable opportunities for growth that extend far beyond the walls of our school studio.

Attending this competition will allow us to perform in a highly structured, professional environment alongside teams from other regions. Competing against dancers outside of our local area challenges us to elevate our skill level, build confidence, and gain exposure to new choreography styles, technique expectations, and judging standards. This experience helps us benchmark our progress and better understand what excellence looks like on a broader scale.

Traveling together also strengthens our team culture. Being away from home requires us to practice responsibility, time management, and professionalism. We will be expected to work as a unified group by supporting one another, staying organized, and representing our school with pride at all times. These experiences build leadership, independence, sportsmanship, and lifelong communication skills.

In addition, this competition provides meaningful learning opportunities beyond dance technique. We will watch advanced routines, observe senior teams, varsity level performances, and receive feedback from certified judges. These insights help us set realistic goals and motivate our team to continue improving throughout the season.

Finally, this trip supports our long-term program development. Exposure to larger competitions inspires our dancers, increases retention, attracts future team members, and fosters a strong and dedicated program that represents our school at a high level.

We believe attending this overnight event is not just a competition it is an educational experience that supports personal development, team bonding, discipline, and excellence in performing arts.

Thank you for considering our request and supporting our growth as athletes, artists, and leaders.

Coach Cruz, Coach Blair and the KMS Tiger Paws

Funds will be used from the KMS Cheer and Dance budget to secure separate transportation, lodging and meals for the Spirit of Hope Competition. The necessary funds will be split between KMS Cheer and Dance until the budget has been exhausted equally to each team. After this each Booster Club will be expected to pay any overage for expenses such as meals, lodging or excess transportation costs.

KMS Dance Fundraisers that were used to secure booster funds are as follows: Bake Sale profits Sponsorship Banners and T-shirts profits