Approval for Travel to a Non-State-Sanctioned Activity Regional Day School Program for the Deaf, DHS March 21, 2017

SUMMARY:

 This item requests approval of a request by the Department of Special Education, Regional Day School Program for the Deaf, Denton High School students to travel to Ft. Worth, TX to attend Imagination Texas – A Special Weekend for the Deaf on April 7-8, 2017.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

No previous action has been taken or requested.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Travel approval is requested for 7 students and 4 sponsors/chaperones.
- Students will travel by Suburbans rented through Enterprise.
- Students are provided a wonderful experience where they attend workshops lead by Deaf Adult professionals (artists, writers, painters, etc) and they gain valuable experience by being around other Deaf students across the state of Texas. Expenses are paid for by the Denton Regional Day School Program for the Deaf. One charge covers their food and hotel for two days and one night.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

Students will miss one day of school.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

 The cost of attending Imagination Texas is covered in the yearly prepared budget for the Denton Regional Day School Program for the Deaf.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Students will be attending workshops lead by Deaf Adult Professionals. This will help guide them in careers and paths for their future.

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 in advance.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS:

 Recommend approval of the Regional Day School Program for the Deaf, Denton High School to travel to Ft. Worth, TX to attend Imagination Texas: A Special Weekend for the Deaf on April 7-8, 2017.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- Jennifer Frye, Bryan McCoy, Dennae Shirley, Teachers of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
- Sandra Hensley, Coordinator Denton RDSPD

ATTACHMENT:

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