

Zionsville Community Schools

Board of School Trustees Meeting "Item for Consideration"

Consent Agenda • Date: April 14, 2025

Out-of-State/Overnight Field Trip

Category:

_____ Human Resources, Personnel/Staffing	_____ Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment	_____ Board Policy
_____ Finance, Budgeting, Accounting	<u> X </u> Student Services	_____ Other
_____ Facilities, Transportation, Nutrition	_____ Community Relations	

Type of Board of Trustees Consideration Sought:

Action	<u> X </u>
Discussion	_____
Report	_____

Facts of this Matter:

Provide trip details in this section.

1. Travel destination and travel dates (include year): New York City 4/27-4/29/2025

2. Who is attending:

Zionsville Senior Truman Greaves
Zionsville Senior Prab Jayachandran
Zionsville Junior Tianle Liang
Teacher/Sponsor Dwight Moser

3. Synopsis of the Trip: These students participated in the M3 Challenge in March and were selected as finalists to compete for scholarships through MathWorks. Only 6 teams out of nearly 800 were selected to come compete and present at this final event in New York City at the firm Jane Street. The students will present their report to a panel of Ph.D. mathematicians, followed by an awards ceremony. As a finalist they will be at least awarded \$5000 worth of scholarships, with that value increasing to \$20,000 if they are the overall winners.

4. List administrator who reviewed and approved the travel itinerary: Matt Walter

Transportation (Mode of travel)	Students will fly to New York City, with all air and ground travel arrangements coordinated by the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM).
Parent Permission Obtained (Detail permission process)	The ZCHS Overnight Field Trip Permission form will be completed by each student.
Cost to Students/Families	All costs (travel, lodging, and food) of this trip are covered by SIAM, including a \$109 per diem for food.

<i>(Include any fundraising or other ways to offset costs for families)</i>	
About Supervision <i>(Be specific about who is supervising, what the background check procedure is, and what the back-up plan is should a chaperone be unavailable)</i>	Mr. Moser will accompany the students on the trip. There is an allowance for a 2 nd chaperone, so one of the student's parents will accompany the group and will complete the ZCS volunteer background check.
Trip Insurance Plan and Refund Procedure (if there is one)	NA.
Any Additional Information	

Objective POSITIVES related to this item or approach:

- Students competed in an international competition and are in the top 6 out of 794 total papers submitted.
- Student will receive at least \$5000 in scholarship prize money.
- The challenge includes providing a solution to an urgent real-world problem.

Objective NEGATIVES related to this item or approach:

The students will miss 1 or 2 days of school.

Financial Implications, if any:

There are no costs to the students or families. M3 Challenge will reimburse ZCS for the costs of a guest teacher for Mr. Moser.

Opinion/Recommendation:

This trip is recommended for approval.