Delano School District Extended field trip request form

1. Name of sponsoring person:

Ross Anderson (Robotics Team Coach)
Mike Phillips (Robotics Team Coach)
Josh Bragg (Robotics Team Coach)

2. Name of school activity or class:

Orange Crush Robotics Team 3026, Delano Public School, I.S.D. #879

Great Northern Regional competition in Grand Forks, North Dakota.

3. Brief description of the proposed trip:

Orange Crush Robotics (OCR), Team 3026, requests to participate in the Great Northern Regional in Grand Forks, ND. The event will take place from March 11 to 14, 2025, at the Alerus Center.

4. Educational objectives of the proposed trip:

- FRC uses regional competitions to provide competition and advancement to MN state and world events.
- Students demonstrate their ability to engineer, design, build, and drive a robot at the competition.
- The students demonstrate their ability to cooperate with other teams to form effective alliances at the competitions.
- Students learn real-life problem-solving skills at the competitions as their robot succeeds and/or fails in competitive situations.

5. How will the money be raised to finance the trip? Include proposed fundraising projects and the amount to be raised.

The team has the funds for this trip from local sponsors, which include the Delano Lions Club, the Loretto Lions Club, Trelleborg, Berg Exteriors, American Legion, Dave's Town Club, Industrial Louvers & CorTrust Bank.

They have also worked at the 4th of July concession stand, Minnesota Oktoberfest, and Light the Night concession stand.

6. Itemize the full cost to students:

- Fundraising and a donation from Trelleborg has covered the \$6300 team registration, which included the entry fee for the event.
- Student families will need to cover the cost of transportation, lodging & meals.

- The estimated hotel cost for Wednesday through Saturday is \$160 per night. (\$160 x 3 = \$480)
- The estimated meal cost for Thursday through Saturday is \$100 per student.

7. List travel and lodging arrangements:

Lodging will be at The address is: Springhill Suites Grand Forks 2837 S 42nd St, Grand Forks, ND 58201

The robot, tools & team members will travel in personal vehicles. Parents/guardians will be responsible for transporting their students.

8. List itinerary (include dates):

- March 11: Limited portion of the team & coaches will haul the robot & materials for a Wednesday arrival & early competition check-in on Thursday.
- March 12: Coaches & students check in at Alerus Center. The remaining students & parents arrive.
- March 13: Qualifying matches at Alerus Center.
- March 14: Qualifying matches at Alerus Center, final matches & travel home in the evening.

9. List chaperones and any special security provisions:

Ross Anderson (763)242-1439 Mike Phillips (612)669-9746 Josh Bragg (763)242-2879

10. Project the number of students who will not be able to go on the trip due to time and/or cost:

Each parent must weigh the time missed school and travel expenses against the learning and unique experience of the competition. We do our best to choose competitions that do not interfere with the end-of-trimester and are the shortest possible distance.

11. Have alternative opportunities in the metro and surrounding area been explored?

The team always applies to any regionals within reasonable driving distance in the first round of selection. This year, those regionals are in Minneapolis and St. Cloud on the same weekend. We will be attending the St. Cloud regional as our second competition. The team must travel if it desires to participate in two competitions, and there are no guarantees that the team will be able to participate in a particular regional.

12. Do the dates of the proposed trip conflict with any school time or community activities?

Yes. Travel on Wednesday may interfere with school, depending on the distance. Thursday and Friday are school days.

13.	What arrangements will be made with parents in case of emergency, health, family, discipline,
	etc.?

All students will have a parent or guardian traveling with the team. We will have emergency contact information for all students & parents traveling with the team.

Recommendation	<u> Date</u>	<u>Signature</u>
REVIEWED By abbey.lang at 9:28 am, Sep 22, 2025		
		(Community Ed. Director)
		(Superintendent)
		(School Board Chair)