



# DUNCANVILLE ISD

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Regular Board Meeting

March 17, 2025

AGENDA SECTION: Consent Item

SUBJECT: Consider approval of Duncanville High School Theatre Department to travel to Bloomington, Indiana for the International Thespian Festival June 22-28, 2025.

BOARD POLICY: FMG (Local)

STRATEGIC GOAL(S): Focus on Student, Families, and Community Connections

FISCAL NOTE: \$1,700 per student (Flight, Lodging, Meals, Ground Transportation)  
Source of Funding: Student funded and individual fundraising.

PREPARED/PRESENTED BY: Dr. Sam Nix, Chief Academic Officer

**Background Information:** The National Thespian Festival serves as an end-of-year celebration and a pinnacle achievement for Duncanville High School theatre students who have qualified at the state level. This prestigious event provides an opportunity for students to compete for the highly esteemed Thespy Awards, which recognize excellence in performance, technical theatre, writing, and filmmaking.

Beyond competition, students will engage in workshops led by industry professionals, attend performances from top high school theatre programs across the country, and network with peers and professionals. This immersive experience not only enhances students' artistic skills but also opens pathways to collegiate and professional opportunities.

**Recommendation:** The administration recommends the Board approve the Duncanville High School Theatre students' travel to Bloomington, Indiana, for the National Thespian Festival from June 22-28, 2025.

**Communication Deployment**

- Board Meeting Minutes
- District Website

**Suggested Motion**

I move that the Board approve travel for Duncanville High School Theatre students to attend the National Thespian Festival in Bloomington, Indiana, from June 22-28, 2025.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dr. T. Lamar Goree  
Superintendent