



Board Action Required

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To: Coppell ISD Board of Trustees
From: Lisa Tabor
Date: April 19, 2016
cc: Dr. Mike Waldrip, Mr. Mike Jasso, and Dr. Leanne Shivers

Re: Proposed Trip March 9, 2017 to March 16, 2017

The Coppell High School Theater Department and Drama Club would like to request approval for a trip to London over Spring Break 2017. The purpose of the trip would be to give our students the opportunity to participate in workshops with the Royal London Shakespeare Company and actors from shows currently performing at the West End. This would be a great opportunity for our learners to experience current theater life in London plus tour many of the historical sites of Shakespeare and the Globe Theater. Additionally our learners would experience some of the greatest historical museums and see two shows at the West End and one show performed by the Royal Shakespeare Company. Learners would be given the opportunity to see firsthand the culture and history of London.

Students will visit Windsor Castle, tour Big Ben, Trafalgar Square, Buckingham Palace, Piccadilly Circus and Tower Bridge, Stratford-upon-Avon, Shakespeare's birthplace, and the British Museum. Learners would be exposed to hundreds of years of art, history, architecture, religion, customs, museums, and culture.

We would depart Wednesday night, March 8th, meaning students would be out of class on Thursday, March 9th and Friday, March 10th before Spring Break. This is to accommodate the time change flying to London and to ensure that learners who are participating in the UIL One Act Play will be back for part of Spring Break...so they can attend rehearsals. We would leave London on Wednesday, March 16th and be back home that evening.

The cost of the trip would be paid for by the students and parents themselves. We have gone this route for the past 4 years with our trips to New York, London and Orlando. No fundraising would be done by the Theater Department or CHS Theater Boosters. Presently the cost per student is around \$2,500 for quad occupancy. Ms. Tabor will be attending as sponsor plus 3 parents who will serve as chaperones. We expect around 20 to 25 people total although this may increase. If it does increase to 30, we will add an Assistant Principal from CHS as a chaperone per CISD requirements.

According to Board Policy FMG (Local), "International trips shall require the approval of the principal, the assistant superintendent for business and support services, the Superintendent, and the Board."