

OVERNIGHT & OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP REQUEST FORM

All overnight and out-of-state field trips require the approval of the Board of Education 60 days in advance of the departure date. All foreign travel field trips must be submitted for Board approval 90 days in advance of the departure date. The following information must be forwarded electronically and in TRIPPLICATE (hard copies) 30 days prior to the Board meeting which summarizes the trip. NOTE: A Narrative must be attached justifying this field trip to the school curriculum and/or mission statement. No financial commitments are to be made until Board approval. **This form must be typewritten and ALL items filled in or marked N/A.**

Name of School: Middletown High Date of Request: 9/5/25
Name of Club or Activity: BlueTube
Trip To: Tampa, FL Purpose: Student Television Network Convention
Number of Students Participating: 12
Number of students eligible to go on the field trip: 25
Dates of Trip: From: 2/25/26 To: 3/3/26 # of school days missed: (5)

Names of Teachers and Chaperones:

1. <u>Lauren Pszczolkowski</u>	5.
2. <u>Brendan Riley</u>	6.
3.	7.
4.	8.

Number of Non-Chaperone Adults going on trip:

Transportation: Bus Van Train Plane Car 15 psg van Other

Are fund-raising activities planned: If so, describe:

Amount of money raised through fundraisers:

Lodging: Airbnb Hotel/Motel Camp Private Home

Insurance Arrangements for Staff and Students:

Cost per Student: \$ 1800 Cost per Teacher and/or Chaperone: \$ 1800

Cost per Nurse: \$ (if necessary) Cost per Paraprofessional: \$ (if necessary)

If Travel Agencies are engaged, at least three quotations need to be provided with documentation attached to this form:

- a. c.
b. d. Other

Name of teacher making request: Lauren Pszczolkowski

Approved by Department Head at secondary level: [Signature]

Approved by Principal: A. Vaggy Mich.

Authorized by Chief Academic Officer: [Signature]

Superintendent Approval: [Signature] Date: 7/22/25

I am writing on behalf of Middletown High School's BlueTube Television program to express our strong interest in attending the 2026 Student Television Network (STN) National Convention in Tampa, Florida. This event represents an unparalleled opportunity for our students to deepen their understanding of broadcast journalism, film production, and media storytelling, while applying skills directly connected to our curriculum.

The convention's lineup of events—including the *Amazing Race*, *Crazy 8s*, and *General Contests*—mirrors the collaborative and fast-paced environment of professional media production. These competitions encourage teamwork, critical thinking, and problem-solving under tight deadlines, which are all essential skills we emphasize in our classroom projects. Participation in such challenges will allow our students to practice real-world applications of scriptwriting, camera operation, editing, and on-camera performance in a nationally competitive setting.

Equally valuable are the *Pro Sessions and Workshops*, where students will learn directly from journalists, filmmakers, and industry experts. These sessions directly support our curriculum goals by offering hands-on training in storytelling, editing, and production techniques, while also exposing students to current industry trends and career pathways. The knowledge and inspiration gained from these sessions will extend beyond the individual student, elevating the entire BlueTube program as participants share what they learn with peers.

The *Opening Ceremony*, *Excellence Awards*, and *CineFest* further highlight the importance of creative achievement and professional standards in student media. By seeing their peers' work celebrated on a national stage, our students will be motivated to raise the bar in their own productions. Exposure to such a wide network of talented student creators fosters both inspiration and aspiration, giving them role models and benchmarks for excellence.

In addition, the *Expo Marketplace* provides direct connections to new technologies, equipment, and educational resources. This access will help us make informed decisions about tools and practices we can bring back to Middletown High School, strengthening our program for future cohorts of students.

While some students will be traveling to Tampa to represent Middletown High School at the STN Convention, those who remain at school will continue to be actively engaged in producing daily content for BlueTube Television, supporting school-wide communication, and honing their skills through classroom projects. Together, both groups will be contributing to the growth of our program—those on-site by competing and learning firsthand, and those back home by maintaining production standards and ensuring our program continues to serve the school community.

To make this trip accessible to as many students as possible, we are also committed to fundraising efforts throughout the year. Students will take part in organizing events, campaigns, and community partnerships that both offset the cost of travel and create a sense of shared investment in this opportunity. These efforts will not only ease financial barriers but also reinforce important life skills in planning, collaboration, and community engagement.

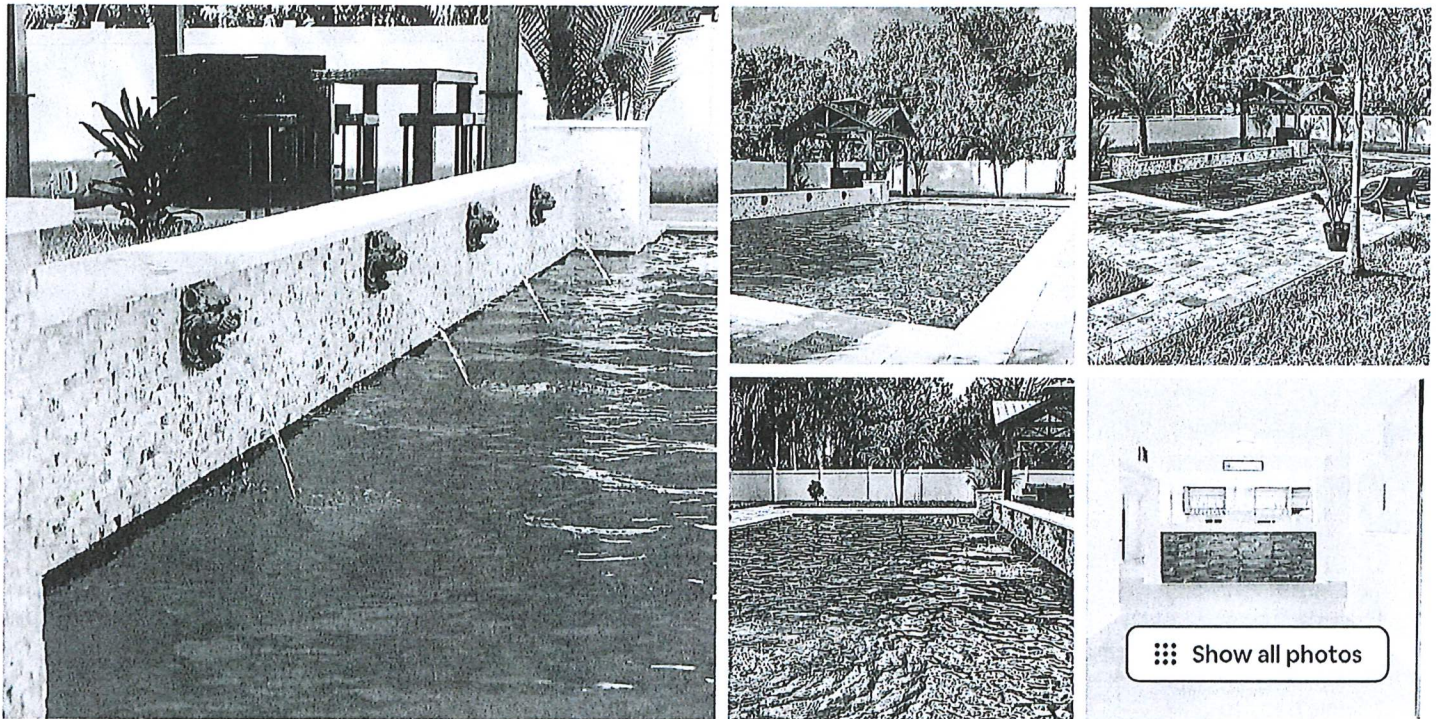
Ultimately, the STN National Convention is not just a trip—it is an extension of our classroom and an investment in our students' education, creativity, and professional readiness. We believe attendance will inspire our BlueTube Television students to grow as storytellers, collaborators, and leaders, while proudly representing Middletown High School on a national stage.

Thank you for your consideration and support of this valuable opportunity for our students.

Lauren Pszczolkowski

Photos Amenities Reviews Location

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Entire home in Tampa, Florida

16+ guests · 9 bedrooms · 15 beds · 6.5 baths



4.92
★★★★★

113
Reviews



Hosted by Peter
Superhost · 6 years hosting



Ready for meals at home
This home has what you need to cook and dine in.



Self check-in
Check yourself in with the keypad.



Free cancellation before Jan 27
Get a full refund if you change your mind.

\$8,323 for 6 nights

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property has 9 bedrooms and 7 bathrooms just on the first floor alone. No other property in the Tampa Bay area would be comparable! Without question the property comfortably can house groups of 20 plus people while guests can still maintain their privacy. Large Resort backyard with Brand New Pool installed 2019. House parties will not be allowed at this property....

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Where you'll sleep



Bedroom 1
2 single beds



Bedroom 2
1 double bed, 1 single bed



What this place offers



Kitchen



Wifi



Free parking on premises



Private outdoor pool - available all year, open 24 hours, heated, saltwater



Pets allowed



TV with standard cable



Free washer - In building



Free dryer - In building