

Approval for Travel to a Non-State-Sanctioned Activity, Out-of-State RHS Orchestra

January 19, 2010

SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval of a request by Ryan High School Orchestras for travel to Heritage Music Festival in Washington, D.C., April 8-11, 2010.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- No previous action has been taken or requested.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Travel approval is requested for 20 students and 5 sponsors/chaperones.
- Students will travel by scheduled air and charter bus carrier.
- Students will be provided an opportunity to have orchestral skills evaluated by expert judges.
- Expenses are to be paid by students and the orchestra organization; no DISD funds will be used.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- Students will miss two days of classes.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- The campus will provide a substitute teacher for two days.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Passage will allow ample time for fundraising activities and completing reservations.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- None

ALTERNATIVES:

- No alternative actions are proposed.

OTHER COMMENTS:

- Board policy requires board approval of such travel two months in advance.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

- Recommend approval of the RHS Orchestra request for permission to travel out-of-state to Heritage Music Festival in Washington, D.C., April 8-11, 2010.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- David McCullar, Director of Fine Arts
- Jamie Wilson, Deputy Superintendent

ATTACHMENT:

- Request for Travel, Non-State-Sanctioned Activities
- Itinerary

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Divisional Leader: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____