

Consider approval of Dragonfire Dance Nationals Trip

1. Background:

Every year since 2023, this trip to Galveston, Texas has been a tradition in the Dragonfire Dance experience. It is the culmination of a year's worth of work, and it is the only overnight trip the team experiences together. This year, we are aiming for Southwest's first national title in over 10 years after being two points away last year. This year's trip is from March 27-29, 2026.

2. Process:

The process to get to Nationals has been going through two rounds of regional competition to be fully ready.

3. Fiscal Impact:

This trip is approximately a \$15,000 trip for a 2-night stay for 30 people. This includes hotel rooms, a charter bus, meals, and registration fees. All of this is coming out of our local budget from the Fine Arts department.

4. Recommendation:

That the board approve the March 27-29 trip to Nationals

5. Required:

Board action.