

# **Delano School District**

## **Extended field trip request form**

1. Name of sponsoring person:

Ross Anderson (Robotics Team Coach)  
Mike Phillips (Robotics Team Coach)  
Holly Workman (Robotics Team Coach)

2. Name of school activity or class:

Orange Crush Robotics Team 3026, Delano Public School, I.S.D. #879  
Great Northern Regional competition in Grand Forks, North Dakota.

3. Brief description of the proposed trip:

Orange Crush Robotics (OCR), Team 3026, requests to participate in Great Northern Regional held in Grand Forks, ND. The event takes place from March 6 to 9, 2024 at the Alerus Center.

4. Educational objectives of the proposed trip:

- FRC uses regional competitions as their means to provide competition and advancement to MN state and world events.
- Students demonstrate their ability to engineer, design, build, and drive a robot at the competition.
- At the competitions, the students demonstrate their ability to cooperate with other teams to form effective alliances.
- Students learn real-life problem-solving skills at the competitions as their robot succeeds and/or fails in competitive situations.

5. How will the money be raised to finance the trip? Include proposed fundraising projects and the amount to be raised.

The team has the funds for this trip from local sponsors, which include the Delano Lions Club, the Loretto Lions Club, Trelleborg, Landscape Structures, Berg Exteriors, Eaton, American Legion, Dave's Town Club, Industrial Louvers & Delano Jaycees.

They have also worked at the 4th of July concession stand, Minnesota Oktoberfest, and Light the Night concession stand.

6. Itemize the full cost to students:

- Fundraising has covered the \$6000 team registration, which included the entry fee for the event.
- Student families will need to cover the cost of transportation, lodging & meals.
  - The estimated hotel cost for Wednesday through Saturday is \$160 per night. ( $\$160 \times 3 = \$480$ )
  - The estimated meal cost for Thursday through Saturday is \$100 per student.

7. List travel and lodging arrangements:

Lodging will be at  
The address is:  
Springhill Suites Grand Forks  
2837 S 42nd St, Grand Forks, ND 58201

The robot, tools & team members will travel in personal vehicles.  
Parents/guardians will be responsible for transporting their students.

8. List itinerary (include dates):

- March 6: Limited portion of the team & coaches will haul the robot & materials for a Wednesday arrival & early competition check-in on Thursday.
- March 7: Coaches & students check in at Alerus Center. The remaining students & parents arrive.
- March 8: Qualifying matches at Alerus Center.
- March 9: Qualifying matches at Alerus Center, final matches & travel home in the evening.

9. List chaperones and any special security provisions:

Ross Anderson (763)242-1439

Mike Phillips (612)669-9746

Holly Workman (612) 834-1780

10. Project the number of students who will not be able to go on the trip due to time and/or cost:

Each parent must weigh the time missed school and travel expenses against the learning and unique experience of the competition. We do our best to choose competitions that do not interfere with end-of-trimester and are the shortest possible distance.

11. Have alternative opportunities in the metro and surrounding area been explored?

The team always applies to any regionals within reasonable driving distance in the first round of selection. This year, those regionals are in Minneapolis and St. Cloud on the same weekend. We will be attending the Minneapolis regional as our 2nd competition. The team must travel if it desires to participate in two competitions, and there are no guarantees that the team will be able to participate in a particular regional.

12. Do the dates of the proposed trip conflict with any school time or community activities?

Yes. Travel on Wednesday may interfere with school, depending on the distance. Thursday and Friday are school days.

13. What arrangements will be made with parents in case of emergency, health, family, discipline, etc.?

All students will have a parent or guardian traveling with the team. We will have emergency contact information for all students & parents traveling with the team.

**Recommendation**

**Date**

**Signature**

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(Community Ed. Director)

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(Superintendent)

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(School Board Chair)