

Denton Independent School District

Request for Out of State Student Travel

I. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Campus DHS Date of Request 12/15/10
 School Organization Denton Jazz Bands Activity Sponsor Jesse Woolery

II. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED TRAVEL

Destination(s)** Savannah, GA
 Description of Activities or Events Final round of the Swing Central National Jazz Competition and Festival.
Competition, Performances, and Workshops all involving our Denton High School Lab Band 1 students
 Dates of Travel 3/28/11-4/2/11 Mode of Travel Charter Bus
 Number of Student Participants 20 Number of Adult Sponsors/Chaperones 10
 Educational Purposes and Value Students entered this competition in the Fall. Based on the audition 12 finalist schools were selected from around
nation. The final round of the competition is held in Savannah. Our students will compete for money for the local jazz program and for other awards. We will
also have our own music showcase in downtown Savannah and the students will have 2 days of workshops. In advance of the trip the festival is sending Grammy nominee Jeff Clayton to work with the band 2/15.

** Attach copy of proposed itinerary

III. SOURCE OF FUNDING

Source	Amount
<input type="checkbox"/> District Title 1	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Students (personal)	2500
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Organization	1500
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising Activities***	10500
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Savannah Music Fest</u>	500
Total Cost of Activity	15000
Estimated Cost/Student	700

***Description of Fund Raising Activities (if required)
Various performances in the fall, Corporate
and personal donations.

IV. ORGANIZATIONAL REVIEW / APPROVAL

Principal	<u>DARRELL MURPHY</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>1-10-11</u>
	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE OF APPROVAL
School Operations	<u>David M. Cullar</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>1-13-11</u>
	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE OF APPROVAL
Superintendent	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE OF APPROVAL
Board President	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE OF APPROVAL

*Reference Policy FMG (L)

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Mon, March 28, 2011

7:00 PM Depart Denton for Savannah

Tue, March 29, 2011

3:00 PM Arrive in Savannah, Check In hotel

5:00 PM Dinner

7:30 PM Rehearsal in Hotel Meeting Room

8:45 PM Supervised study/homework time/study sessions in Meeting Room

11:00PM Sleep

Wed, March 30th, 2011 (Savannah Civic Center)

8:00-9:30 AM Supervised study/homework/study session in Meeting Room

10:00-11:00 AM Rehearsal in meeting room

11:00 AM Lunch/ Travel to convention Center

1:00 - 3:00 PM Meet the exhibitors

3:00 - 3:45 PM Welcome/light lunch for students/Clinicians performance

4:00 - 6:45 PM Sessions (Detailed schedule will be provided closer to the date)

6:45 - 8:30 PM Meet the exhibitors

7:15 - 8:30 PM Director's session

8:30 - 10:30 PM Jam Session (Location TBA)

March 31st, 2011 (Savannah Civic Center)

9:00 - 11:45 AM Workshops (Detailed schedule: TBA)

11:45 - 12:45 PM Lunch

12:45 - 3:30 PM Workshops (Detailed schedule: TBA)

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Bands Performance (Location & detailed schedule: TBA)

5:00/7:15/9:30 PM Performance: Clayton Brothers & Ike Stubblefield Trio featuring Marcus Printup & Wycliffe Gordon - Charles H. Morris Center (Student tickets available)

Fri, April 1st, 2011 (Lucas Theatre for the Arts)

9:00 - 12:00 PM Competition

1:00 - 4:00 PM Competition

4:30 PM Finalist announcement

7:30 PM Finalist performance

8:15 PM Winner announcement

8:30 PM Clinicians performance: "Downtown Uproar" Duke Ellington Small Band

11:00 PM Depart Savannah for Denton, TX

Sat, April 2nd, 2011

6:00 PM Arrive in Denton



For Immediate Release: December 7, 2010

Denton High School Lab Band 1 has been selected to participate in the sixth annual *SWING CENTRAL* High School Jazz Band Competition & Workshop, an event produced by the Savannah Music Festival that was recently dubbed the "pro bowl of high school jazz band competitions" by the *South Florida Sun Sentinel*. Pianist/composer Marcus Roberts leads a group of 19 esteemed musicians/educators as the Associate Artistic Director, along with Associate Director Jim Ketch, trumpet player and Director of Jazz Studies at UNC Chapel Hill.

Denton High School jazz students will work with jazz masters across three days, perform in showcases on Savannah's River Street, play in competition rounds, and attend a variety of SMF performances during their stay, which takes place from March 30 through April 1, 2011.

"This is one of the most amazing opportunities that high school jazz students can have. We are very fortunate to have competed well and make it to the final round in Savannah," remarked Denton High School Lab Band 1 director Jesse Woolery.

The nationally recognized *SWING CENTRAL* program features the following bands going head-to-head for \$13,000 in cash awards:

Agoura High Studio Jazz, Agoura Hills, CA
Battle Ground High School, Battle Ground, WA
Calabasas High School, Calabasas, CA
Champaign Central High School Jazz Ensemble, Champaign, IL
Denton High School Lab Band I, Denton, TX
Dillard Center for the Arts, Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Hoover First Edition, Hoover, AL
The Lovett Jazz Ensemble, Atlanta, GA
Newport High School Jazz Ensemble I, Bellevue, WA
Overton High School Blue Jazz Ensemble, Memphis, TN
Roosevelt High School II, Seattle, WA
Tate High School Symphonic Jazz Band, Cantonment, FL

The 2011 *SWING CENTRAL* clinician team includes:

Trumpets: Jim Ketch, Marcus Printup, Terrell Stafford

Saxophones: Jeff Clayton, Bill Kennedy, Jack Wilkins

Trombones: Wycliffe Gordon, Ron Westray, Paul McKee

Guitar: Dave Stryker

Drums: Jason Marsalis, Leon Anderson

Bass: John Clayton, Rodney Whitaker, Rodney Jordan

Piano: Marcus Roberts, Bill Peterson, Gerald Clayton, Kevin Bales

As part of *SWING CENTRAL*, each participating band receives a visit from a *SWING CENTRAL* clinician in February to help them prepare for the event. On March 31, all bands perform in public showcases at Rousakis Plaza on River Street. Competition rounds take place all day on April 1 at the Lucas Theatre for the Arts, and will be webcast for family and friends who aren't able to make the trip to Savannah. Each band plays three selections: "After You've Gone" arr. by Bill Holman, "Jada" by Oliver Nelson, and "Slide's Derangement" by Slide Hampton, who will be the special guest artist for *SWING CENTRAL* 2011.

The three top-scoring bands each receive an honorarium (\$5000 for first, \$2500 for second and \$1000 for third place) and perform the opening set at the SMF production *Downtown Uproar: Small Band Music of Duke Ellington*, featuring The Clayton Brothers, Marcus Roberts Trio, and all of the *SWING CENTRAL* clinicians at 7:30 p.m. that night. Other competitors receive a \$500 travel stipend.

SWING CENTRAL is sponsored by Bob & Jean Faircloth and in part by Georgia Power, with additional support from Rus & Jan Boekenheide, Georgia Public Broadcasting and the D'Addario Music Foundation.

ABOUT SAVANNAH MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Savannah Music Festival presents a world-class celebration of the musical arts by creating timeless and adventurous productions that stimulate arts education, foster economic growth, and unite artists and audiences in Savannah, Georgia. The 2011 festival runs from March 24 through April 9, including more than 100 performances of world-class jazz, classical, blues, bluegrass, gospel and other genres of American and international roots music in intimate venues throughout the historic district of Savannah. For more information, visit <http://www.savannahmusicfestival.org>.

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