SUBJECT:

Consideration and possible approval for the J. Frank Dobie High School choir and band students to travel to Orlando, Florida to perform and participate in a clinic from March 3 - 8, 2026.

BACKGROUND:

The J. Frank Dobie High School Choir and Band seek permission to travel to Florida. The Disney Imagination Campus offers a unique educational program designed for students of the arts. It gives vocal and instrumental ensembles an opportunity to be treated as professional musicians in a recording studio setting to showcase their talents. Students will sightread, perform, and record in a professional setting, study their craft in a positive, lively environment, and have fun doing it! Workshops are taught by professionals in their respective fields: actors, choreographers, comedians, dancers, composers, singers, arrangers, musicians and conductors.

Approximately 120 students, 12 chaperones, 7 directors, and 1 administrator will depart on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, and return on Monday, March 8, 2026. These numbers will comply with district requirements of a 10 to 1 ratio of students to adult chaperones. All chaperones will be trained in school district policy regarding responsibilities and duties prior to the trip. All rules of conduct established by the school district will be strictly enforced.

A contingency plan for travel advisories will be followed if needed. Trip insurance has been included in the overall price per individual. The insurance would cover any cancellations the group would encounter.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The cost will be approximately \$1,900 per student and will be funded by the students and chaperones. Students needing additional assistance will be helped as needed. All student travel guidelines and expectations will be followed according to Business Office Procedures. The financial implications for the district are zero.

RECOMMENDATION:

We recommend approval for the J. Frank Dobie High School choir and band students to travel to Orlando, Florida to perform and participate in a clinic from March 3 - 8, 2026.

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BOARD MEETING DATE:

August 26, 2025