

APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF NORTHSIDE COLLEGE PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL TO TRAVEL TO SCOTLAND AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of eleven (11) Northside College Preparatory students in an educational tour to Scotland from March 29, 2007 to April 6, 2007.

USER: Northside College Preparatory High School
5501 N. Kedzie Ave., Chicago, 60625
773-534-3954
Nicole Flores and Lidia Ortiz

PROGRAM: As a culminating experience after a year-long colloquium class spent learning the historical, political, and cultural significance of Scotland, students will travel throughout the entire country. Students will visit Edinburgh, Fife, Pitlochry, the Highlands, Fort William, The Isle of Skye, Loch Lomond, and Glasgow. Highlights include guided sightseeing tours of Edinburgh, visits to Stirling and Blair Castles, a visit to Loch Ness, traveling to the "Road of Isles" and the Trossachs National Park. Additionally students will participate in a tradition Scottish ceilidh evening.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: The purpose of this travel is to broaden students' horizons and make connections between classroom curriculum and the real world via first hand experiences with different cultures. Student travel locations will focus on their classroom investigations of Medieval and Modern Scotland. For example, after having studied the historical significance of Mary Queen of Scots, students will visit her childhood castle. Having spent time learning the physical and cultural geography of Scotland, students will be able to experience both the Highlands and Lowlands. Students will also be able to tour the metropolitan cities of Edinburgh and Glasgow. Lastly, students will be able to "live" the legends of Loch Ness and Rob Roy MacGregor.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by Passports Education Travel Company.
389 Main Street
Spencer, MA 01562-1924
Phone (508) 885-4600
Fax (508) 885-0329
www.passports.com

COST: The per person cost is \$2300 which includes transportation (flight and motorcoach), meals, hotel costs, health and accident insurance, and trip cancellation insurance. The costs will be paid by the students and their families.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-PO01 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including proper ratio of students to adults. There are 11 students traveling to Scotland with 2 chaperones: Nicole Flores (CPS Teacher) and Lidia Ortiz (CPS Teacher).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Northside College Preparatory High School.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any travel agreements necessary for this program.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: This action was approved by the LSC for Northside College Preparatory.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board at this time.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to any agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – Any agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one-year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of any agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of any agreement.

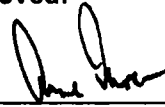
Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

Approved:

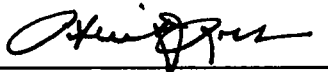


Arne Duncan
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Within Appropriation:


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Chief Financial Officer

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General Counsel