

APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF CURTIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR OF DETROIT, MICHIGAN AND WINDSOR, ONTARIO, CANADA AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of forty (40) Curtis Elementary School students in an educational tour to Detroit, Michigan and Windsor, Ontario, Canada from May 29, 2001 through May 30, 2001 and authorize travel expenses related to the program.

USER Curtis Elementary School
32 E. 115th Street
Chicago, Illinois
(773) 535-5050
Lester Gaines, Principal

PROGRAM: In conjunction with the social science curriculum, Curtis Elementary School will send 40 eighth-grade students on a tour of Detroit, Michigan and Windsor Ontario, Canada.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: The tour is designed to immerse students in the historical and current significance of the importance of Detroit and Windsor as it relates to slaves who managed to escape to freedom from slavery in the United States. Additionally, students will begin to understand the Underground Railroad as a network of people that guided slaves to safety.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by Educational Tours.

COST: The per pupil cost is \$169.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel, costs, health and accident insurance, trip cancellation insurance, etc.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board report 97-1217-PO1 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including proper ratio of students to adults. Touring with the students will be Lester Gaines (Principal), T. Arrington (Teacher), D. Palm (Teacher), and C. Pettiford (teacher).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Curtis Elementary 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 Curtis Elementary School on March 21, 2001.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Chicago Public Schools.

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 July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of any agreement.

Ethics – The Board’s Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of any agreement.

Approved for Consideration:

Approved:



COZETTE BUCKNEY
Chief Education Officer




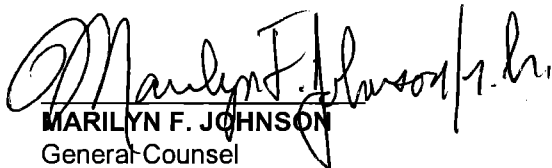
PAUL G. VALLAS
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:



KENNETH C. GOTSCH
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 



MARILYN F. JOHNSON
General Counsel