

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF JOSEPH E. GARY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN AN
EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO WASHINGTON, D.C. AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED
TO THE PROGRAM**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of eighty (80) Joseph E. Gary Elementary School students in an educational tour to Washington, D.C. from May 24, 2004, through May 28, 2004, and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

USER: Joseph E. Gary Elementary School
3740 W. 31st Street
773-534-1455
Ms. Flora Dangerfield, Principal

PROGRAM: Gary 8th grade students will travel to Washington, D.C. to become familiar with historical monuments and documents they have studied through the school year.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: Students will keep daily journals and passports of visits. They will also do a comparative study on what they see and visit vs. what they have read.

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

COST: The per-person cost is \$498.00 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 03-0527-PO01 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including proper ratio of students to adults.

Accompany the students will be Shirley Parks (teacher), Karen Miles (teacher), Rogelio Manzano (teacher), Yusef Alim (teacher), Lorraine Cruz (assistant principal), Flora Dangerfield (principal), Marcelo Aguilar (teacher) and Christopher Eccher (teacher).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student: will be on file at Joseph E. Gary Elementary School.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: This action was approved by the Joseph E. Gary Elementary School Local School Council on September 9, 2003.

FINANCIAL: No Cost to the Chicago Board of Education.

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:


BARBARA EASON-WATKINS
Chief Education Officer


ARNE DUNCAN
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:


JOHN MAIORCA
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 


RUTH MOSCOVITCH
General Counsel