

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF WHITNEY M. YOUNG HIGH SCHOOL CONCERT CHOIR IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO HONOLULU AND MAUI, HAWAII TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SINGING OF AMERICA SALUTES 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY FOR THE END OF THE WORLD WAR II AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve the Participation of thirty-five (35) Whitney M. Young High School students Concert Choir in and educational tour to Honolulu and Maui, Hawaii from April 15-22, 2005 and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

**USER:** Whitney M. Young High School  
211 S. Laflin Ave.  
Chicago, Illinois 60607  
(773) 534-7500  
Dr. Joyce D. Kenner

**PROGRAM:** In coordination with its Vocal Music Performance Program, Whitney M. Young will send students who reflect the school's racial and ethnic composition to Honolulu and Maui, Hawaii. These students, who study choral music, placed the focus of their studies on a global perspective and world peace.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** The purpose of the tour is to give students the opportunity to experience an intense performance schedule, perform for a larger audience in a variety of performance venues, as professional artists would do. Students will meet and interact with other students and professors at some of the historical sites in Honolulu. Students will perform a varied repertoire and will also evaluate their performances and gain experiences that will lead to growth in understanding music historically, culturally and in other fine arts.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Whitney Young participants will use the most economical travel means.

**COST:** The per person cost is \$1,499.00 which includes air transportation, all taxes and gratuities, hotel accommodations, meals as indicated in the itinerary, adequate health and accident insurance coverage, trip cancellation and protection against bodily injury or death. No student will be excluded for financial reasons.

**CHAPERONES:** Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-P001 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including the proper ratio of students to adults. This reflects the ratio of one chaperone per ten students.

Touring students will be: Mrs. Gloria E. Brown (director), Mrs. Gloria Washington (teacher), Mrs. Janice Haynes (parent), Mrs. Lisa Russell (parent), and Mr. Stanley Washington (parent). All tour participants will follow the prescribed itinerary. Tyson Richins of American Musical Salute will be the tour guide.

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student/persons are on file at Whitney Young High School.

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

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Not applicable.

**LSC REVIEW:** This tour was approved by the LSC for Whitney M. Young High School on October 20, 2004.

**FINANCIAL:** No cost to the Board.

**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:

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**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