

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF LITTLE VILLAGE ACADEMY 8TH GRADE
STUDENTS IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO NEW YORK CITY, NY AND
AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:

The approval of the participation of forty-three (43) of Little Village Academy 8th Grade Students in an educational tour to New York City, NY from May 25-29, 2005 and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

USER: Little Village Academy
2620 South Lawndale
Chicago, Illinois 60623
(773) 534-1885
User: Fredric Arana

PROGRAM: Little Village Academy students will study historical and contemporary sites in the City of New York as it pertains to past and current events. Students will participate proactively in the study of eastern states and expand their experience of cultural and economic differences in the U.S.A.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: To learn more about the impact of these historic sites which the students studied throughout the school year.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by Travel Services, Inc. 5158 W.127th Street, Alsip, Illinois 60803 Phone: 1-(708) 489-0796.

COST: The cost per person is \$575.00, which includes transportation, meals, hotel, costs, health and accident insurance, trip cancellation insurance, etc. The costs will be paid by student fees and fundraising.

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.

Traveling with the students will be Ms. Loza (teacher), Ms. Maldonado (teacher), Mr. Aparicio (Coordinator), Ms. Gonzalez (teacher), Ms. Castaneda (teacher), Ms. Alvarez (parent), Ms. Galvez (parent), and Mr. Castaneda (basketball coach).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written- parental consent and release forms for each student is on file at Little Village Academy.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

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.

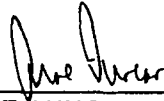
Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



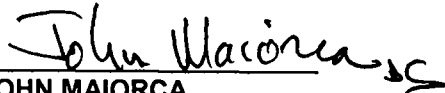
BARBARA EASON-WATKINS
Chief Education Officer

Approved:



ARNE DUNCAN
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:



JOHN MAIORCA
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 



RUTH MOSCOVITCH
General Counsel