

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

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:

The approval of the participation of one-hundred (100) Joseph E. Gary School students in an educational tour to Washington, D.C. and New York, NY from May 15-20, 2005 and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

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

PROGRAM: Gary 8th grade students will travel to Washington D.C. and New York City May 15-20, 2005 to become familiar with historical monuments and documents, which they have studied through the school year, and to participate in the ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington, D.C. Also students will experience the culture and historical sites (i.e. Ground Zero) while in New York City.

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: Nova Tours and Travel, Inc. 504 Vine Street, Liverpool, NY 13088 is making Arrangements for this program. Contact person Kate Quinn 1-315-451-0260.

COST: The cost per pupil is \$571.00, which includes transportation, meals, hotel, costs, health and accident insurance and trip cancellation insurance. Student fees and fund raising profits will pay the costs.

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 Frank Abbinanti (vice principal), Flora Dangerfield (principal), Jose Jimenez (security), Yusef Alim (teacher assistant), Roger Manzano (teacher), Junita McClendon (teacher), Maria Carrejo (teacher), Leticica Gutierrez (teacher), Shirley Parks (teacher assistant), Chris Ecchen (teacher).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student/persons are on file at Joseph E. Gary School.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: The Local School Council approved this action on December 15, 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.

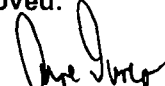
Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



BARBARA EASON-WATKINS
Chief Education Officer

Approved:



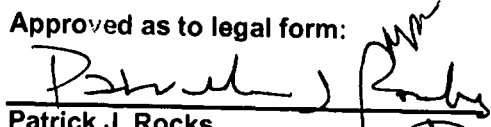
ARNE DUNCAN
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:



JOHN MAIORCA
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel