

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF WHITNEY M. YOUNG HIGH SCHOOL IN AN EDUCATIONAL
TOUR TO HAKONE, YOKOHAMA AND TOKYO, JAPAN
AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:

Approve the participation of eighteen (18) Whitney Young High School students in an educational tour to Yokohama, Hakone and Tokyo, Japan from June 23-July 7, 2005 and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

USER: Whitney M. Young High School
211 S. Laffin Ave.
Chicago, Illinois 60607
773-534-7500
User: Dr. Joyce D. Kenner, Principal

PROGRAM: This is an ongoing language and cultural exchange program between Whitney Young High School, Chicago and Kanagawa Sohgo High School, Yokohama. The Japanese students from the Kanagawa came to our school in the Spring of 2002 and 2004, and our students visited their school in the Summer of 2003. All the participants stay with host families and commute to the school for almost the entire two weeks stay. Some afternoons we will take field trips to the museums and historical sites. Also, one overnight trip to Hakone is scheduled.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: The purpose of the tour is to give students the opportunity to enhance their Japanese language skills as well as to understand Japanese history, culture, and the way of Japanese life by experience. By staying with same age students and live daily life together, our students will increase their global perspective leading to the future.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Jalpak International America, Inc is making Arrangements for this program. Contact Information: 8430 W. Bryn Mawr Avenue Suite 777 Chicago, IL 60631 Phone Number 773-714-5150.

COST: The cost per pupil is \$2,000.00, which includes air transportation, all taxes and gratuities, one overnight hotel accommodations, meals, adequate health and accident insurance coverage, trip cancellation and protection against bodily injury or death as indicated in the itinerary.

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 Mrs. Yukiko Schrock (Japanese Language Teacher), Mrs. Gloria Brown (Music Teacher), and Charlene Floreani (English and Italian Teacher). This reflects the ratio of one chaperone per six students for an international tour.

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Whitney M Young High 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 April 1, 2005.

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.

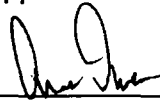
Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



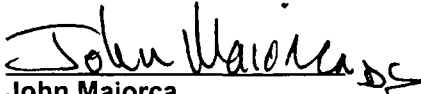
Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

Approved:



Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:



John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel