

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF JOSEPH E. GARY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN AN  
EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO WASHINGTON, D.C. AND NEW YORK CITY, N.Y. 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 students in an educational tour to Washington, D.C. and New York City, N.Y. from May 14<sup>th</sup> through 19<sup>th</sup>, 2006 and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

**USER:** Joseph E. Gary School  
3740 West 31<sup>st</sup> Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60623  
773-534-1455  
Flora E. Dangerfield, Principal

**PROGRAM:** Gary 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will travel to Washington, D.C. and New York City from May 14-19, 2006. The students will visit the historical monuments and documents in D.C. and participate in the ceremony at the Tomb of Unknown Soldier, which they have studied throughout the school year. Also, students will experience the culture and historical sites (i.e. Statute of Liberty, Ground Zero) while in New York City.

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

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Arrangements for this program are being made by School Tour Supervisor, Ms. Kathleen Rentz and Nova Tours and Travel, Inc., 504 Vine Street, Liverpool, NY 13088. Contact person: Dona 1-315-451-0260.

**COST:** The cost per person is \$ 571.00, which includes transportation, meals, hotel, costs, health and accident insurance, trip cancellation insurance, etc. The costs will be paid by student fees and fund raising.

**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 Flora Dangerfield (Principal), Shirley Parks (Esp), Nancy Rodriguez (Esp), Alex DeLaLuz (Security), Frank Abbinanti (Counselor), Rogelio Manzano (Teacher), Chris Eccher (Teacher), Mary Mendoza-Ramirez (Assistant Principal), and Mario Carreio (ESP).

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student 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:** This action was approved by the LSC for Joseph E. Gary School on February 10, 2006.

**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:**

**Approved:**



**Barbara Eason-Watkins**  
Chief Education Officer




**Arne Duncan**  
Chief Executive Officer

**Noted:**



**John Maiorca**  
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 

  
**Patrick J. Rocks**  
General Counsel