

APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF SEWARD ACADEMY IN AN 8th GRADE EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO SPACE CAMP IN HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of sixty (60) Seward Academy eighth grade students in an educational tour to Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama from May 28, 2007 through May 31, 2007.

USER: Seward Academy
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Marcey G. Reyes, Principal

PROGRAM: Seward Academy's 8th Grade Class' culminating activity of space education wherein students would attend the United States Space Camp.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: Students who participate in Space Camp will:

- complete shuttle mission training,
- further their space history lessons,
- construct and launch their own individual rockets out of pvc pipe,
- design a mission patch,
- complete space shuttle orientation, including it's operations before, during, and after,
- learn about the crew systems aboard the International Space Station, and
- participate in simulator training (1/6 gravity, MMU, and Multi Axis Training).

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by Seward Academy.

COST: The per person cost is \$427 which includes transportation, meals, hotel, costs, and health and accident insurance. 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 students will be: Lorel Madden (Teacher), Kimberly Bowsky (Teacher), Kim O'Malley (Teacher), Robert Zarnowski (Teacher), Roberto Lituma (Teacher) and Donna Schlamadinger (Teacher).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Seward 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.

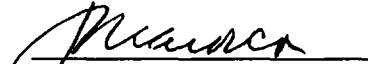
Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



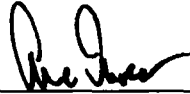
**Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer**

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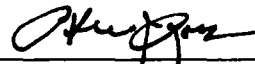
**John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer**

Approved:



**Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer**

Approved as to legal form:



**Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel**