

APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF EDISON REGIONAL GIFTED CENTER IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of twenty-eight (28) Edison Regional Gifted Center students in an educational tour to Louisville, Kentucky from May 31, 2007 through June 2, 2007.

USER: Edison Regional Gifted Center
6220 North Olcott Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60631
(773) 534-1209
Saundra Gray, Principal

PROGRAM: Edison Regional Gifted Center will send 28 students to Louisville, Kentucky from May 31, 2007 through June 2, 2007.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: Students will be engaged in the history of the area by touring the Glassworks and the Frazier International History Museum. Students will gain an appreciation of the importance of sports and health by touring the Louisville Slugger Museum and the Muhammad Ali Center. The Louisville Science Center and IMAX movie will introduce and reinforce biology and other earth science topics. A tour of Mammoth Cave will not only introduce a cave biome to the students' vocabulary, but also give us a taste of earth's history and geology. We will get a taste of sports and animal husbandry with a visit to the Churchill Downs Museum. This is an area of the country with which very few of these students are familiar, so they will have the opportunity to expand their view of our country and world.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by Educational Tours, Inc., 111 Pfingsten Road, Deerfield, Illinois 60015, Barbara Smith, (847) 509-0088.

COST: The per pupil cost is \$579.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel costs, health and accident insurance, hotel security, tour moderator, all admissions and prepaid phone cards. The costs will be paid by 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: Donna Oberhardt (Assistant Principal), David Barber (Teacher), Marc-Antoine Papadogiannis (Teacher), Albert Martinez (Parent Volunteer), Cindy Nygren (Parent Volunteer) and Edward Maliszewski (Parent Volunteer).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Edison Regional Gifted Center.

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

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Chief Education Officer

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Chief Financial Officer

Approved:

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