

BATH COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

AGENDA ITEM: INFORMATION { } ACTION { X } CLOSED MEETING { }

SUBJECT: **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - ACTION**

 Consider Overnight Field Trip

BACKGROUND: **BCHS Band**
 Washington D.C.
 April 10 – 12, 2013

RECOMMENDATION: **Recommend approval.**

BATH COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
WARM SPRINGS, VA 24484



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APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIP and TRANSPORTATION

This form must be submitted TWO (2) WEEKS in advance of the effective date of the trip to the Superintendent.

TRIP DATE: 4/10/2012 SCHOOL: BCHS GRADE(s): Band

DESTINATION: Washington DC

OBJECTIVE FOR TRIP: Annual spring trip..to perform in Our Nation's Capitol

NO. OF PUPILS: 80 PAID BY CHILD: \$ \$375 PAID BY SCHOOL: \$ 0

NAMES OF ALL CHAPERONING STAFF MEMBERS: Melinda Hooker
Jane McMullen Sarah Burns

NAMES OF OTHER CHAPERONES/PARENTS: Lisa Cambata
Bruce Cambata Vicki Hall, April Wolfe Carla Puffenbarger
Roy Burns Bonnie Lee Stephen Lee

TYPE OF TRANSPORTATION NEEDED: Bus # of Buses Needed: _____
 Handicapped Bus(es) Needed
 Car # of Cars Needed: _____

COMMENTS: Parents are TBA until approval is given and send out request

DEPARTURE DATE: 4/10/2014 DEPARTURE TIME: 7AM
mm/dd/yyyy

RETURN DATE: 4/12/2014 RETURN TIME: 12 Midnight
mm/dd/yyyy

I will secure written permission from each parent before taking children on the trip.

Melinda Hooker 9/23/13
Teacher's Signature Date

SLAR 9/23/13
Principal's Signature Date

TO: DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT /DESIGNEE

The above application is sent for your consideration.

COMMENTS: _____

Superintendent's Signature Date Approved Disapproved

**Melinda Hooker
Director of Bands
Bath County High School**

9/20/13

The BCBS Marching Band requests approval from the school board to take a Spring Trip on April 10, 11 & 12, 2014 to Washington, DC. Our band is applying to perform at The Lincoln Memorial, WWII Memorial or the Jefferson Memorial. This will be the opportunity of a lifetime for students to perform in our Nation's Capitol. The trip will be coordinated with Academic Travel out of Hendersonville, NC. The band has traveled with this company on the three previous Washington, DC trips and they have been outstanding. We will be taking a minimum of fifteen chaperones with us on the trip to provide round the clock supervision. I have not requested chaperones yet as the trip has not yet been approved, but the chaperones indicated have expressed interest in chaperoning. I am including a tentative itinerary that specifies student activities throughout the trip. We have already begun the process of working with Senator Goodlatte's office to arrange Capital tours, meet and greets etc. Right now, they are not giving White House tours due to the sequester, but we will apply anyway and hope they open up...we got lucky the last time and actually got a White House tour! The itinerary will change as we set up performance times etc. I have also included the budget, which estimates all trip expenses as well as student cost. Students will raise money through the Simply Delicious fund-raiser and the fruit fund-raiser offered this year. The students will travel by charter bus to and from Washington, DC. This trip to our Nation's Capital will surely provide a true hands on connection between what students hear on TV and in the classroom to what it is really like to set foot in these historic buildings and walk the grounds!

The band has a five year plan for spring trips. We plan to travel far one year and then near the next. Our five year plan includes:

2013-2014 Washington DC

2014-2015 New York

2015-2016 Myrtle Beach

2016-2017 Florida

2017-2018 VA Beach

**(The schedule may be subject to some revision due to festival dates etc.)
This will be the opportunity of a lifetime for many of our students. Many students will never get an opportunity like this again!**

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact me! Thank you in advance for your support!

Tentative Itinerary
Spring Band Trip to Washington, D.C.
April 10, 11 & 12

Thursday, April 10

6:30AM	Arrive at BCHS (Bag Check)
7:00 AM	Depart for Washington, D.C. Fast food Breakfast stop (on own)
12:00PM	Arrive Washington, DC Lunch at Reagan Center (Meet ATS Tour Guide) Tour Arlington National Cemetery Visit the Kennedy Grave site and witness the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Visit National Archives (see Declaration of Independence and US Constitution) North Lawn of the White House Picture Stop
5:00PM	Depart for Dinner Theater (approx. 30 miles)
6:00PM	Dinner at Toby's Dinner Theater "Shrek- The Musical"
10PM	Hotel Check-in-TBA

Friday, April 11

Breakfast at hotel
US Capitol Building Tour
Supreme Court/Library of Congress "Highlights" tour
Depart for Ford's Theater
Visit Ford's Theater/Peterson House
Lunch at National Place
Proceed to White House Tour (begins at 2pm)
Afternoon tour of monuments and memorials including the Vietnam, Women's Korean War, Lincoln, Jefferson, FDR, and Marine Corps Memorials

Public Performance at the Lincoln, WWII or Jefferson Memorial
(performance time TBA)

Dinner at Pentagon City Mall by meal coupon, shopping and browsing afterwards
Return to Hotel

Saturday, April 12

6:00AM	Breakfast at Hotel/Check-out US Holocaust Museum Tour the Smithsonian Air & Space Museum (lunch here on own) Depart for Mount Vernon Enjoy a tour of Mount Vernon- home of George and Martha Washington
12 Midnight	Return Home (Dinner en route)

BUDGET

The trip cost will include the following:

Two Nights hotel lodging
Motor Coach transportation (2 Coaches)
2 Breakfasts and 2 Dinners
Dinner Theater Performance
Public Performance at Lincoln Memorial, WWII or Jefferson Memorial
Admission to all attractions on itinerary
Tour Director for each bus while in Washington, DC
Free DVD video of trip for each participant
Tours of all Monuments and Memorials in our Nation's Capital

Total Cost per student: \$375.00

Total Cost per chaperone: \$375.00