

**Franklin Public Schools
Franklin, Massachusetts 02038**

Action Required

Subject:

Out of State/Overnight Travel

Date:

January 25, 2022

Dept:

FHS

Reason:

Past practice of the Committee requires a vote to allow students/staff to travel outside of the State/Country

Enclosure

Yes

Background

Recommendation:

Varsity Cheerleading National Competition

I recommend approval of the request of Doni Gill (Coach) to take 11 cheerleaders to Orlando, Florida from March 18-21, 2022 for the Nationals Competition as detailed.

Action Requested of the School Committee:

Majority vote of the Committee is required.

<u>Vote Tabulator</u>	
C. Bernstein: Y / N	D. McNeill: Y / N
D. Callaghan: Y / N	M. Whitmore: Y / N
Al Charles: Y / N	D Spencer: Y / N
E Stokes: Y / N	Action: _____

Approval Request Proposal
Franklin High School Varsity Cheerleading – National Competition

Destination:

- Nationals Cheerleading Competition – Orlando, Florida

Departure & Expected Return Dates:

- Depart Friday, March 18 and Return Monday, March 21st
 - Hotel – Cabana Bay Resort, Universal, FL
 - Flights - Times TBD based on flight availability

Itinerary:

Friday, March 18

- 7:00am
 - Both teams meet and board charter bus at FHS parking lot
 - Bus departs to Logan Airport or Providence (flight cost will determine)
- 10:00 am - Arrive in Orlando and head to the hotel in chartered bus
- Mid-day
 - Lunch and souvenirs shopping
 - Practice for Competition
- 5:30 pm - Team Dinner
- 7:30 pm – Team Building Activity – Potential Options: bowling, board game competitions in conference rooms at hotel, movies
- 10:00 pm - Lights out and room checks

Saturday, March 19

- 7:00 am - 8:30 am - Breakfast at hotel
- Morning
 - Warm up and Competition
- Afternoon
 - Universal Park
 - Shopping
- 10:00 pm - Lights out and room checks

Sunday, March 20

- 7:00 am - 8:30 am - Breakfast at hotel
- Morning
 - Warm up and Competition
- Afternoon
 - Universal Park
 - Shopping
- Dinner at the Park
- 10:00 pm - Lights out and room checks

Monday, March 21

- 7:00 am - 7:30 am - Breakfast at hotel
- 8:30 am – Board chartered bus to the airport
- 1:00 pm – arrive back at Logan or Providence and board chartered bus to FHS

Summary of trip purpose:

- To give student-athletes an educational experience through a non-traditional athletic setting
- Demonstrate and promote independence, responsibility, and respect while representing each school district
- Provides the opportunity for the team to compete at the National level
- Student-athletes will experience a one of a kind participatory (non-MIAA competition) at the national level of competition

Trip expense, inclusive of all costs:

- FHS Cheer Booster and Parents will share the following costs;
- Boosters has secured Parent/athlete approval of dates & cost of entire team. It was made clear that 1. this was optional only and 2. the cost was based on the variable of fundraising
- Airfare – Estimated \$400 pp. – JetBlue non-stop Round Trip Flight (current price is \$316/we overestimated)
- \$300 - 2 Chartered Buses (1. Roundtrip FHS to Logan or Providence airport and 2.Roundtrip Orlando Airport to Hotel)
- Hotel room pp. (4 per room, 3 rooms, 11 athletes and 2 coaches/own rooms) = \$10,970
 - o Hotel prices includes competitor fee, transportation to the venue and 2 day park pass

Total Estimated Cost: \$16,500

- Minus FUNDRAISE \$5,000

*** (team raised \$5500 last year on a scratch ticket raffle/team has already started canning and securing other fundraisers, including another scratch ticket raffle in January) Team believes we will exceed this \$5,000 fundraiser amount

- Minus Sponsor donation/secured \$3,000

Total Estimate Cost per athlete: \$770

- \$6,000 fundraised reduces to \$679/athlete
- \$7,000 fundraised reduces to \$588/athlete

Players and Coaches are independently responsible for the following costs;

- Food and Shopping

Description on how the trip will be accessible to students from limited income families-fundraising plan:

Through our team fundraising efforts we will be able to make this trip a reality for all of our athletes, especially players that come from limited income families. The Cheer Booster has several fundraising opportunities set up in January – February to offset the cost per person. The Cheer Booster currently has a \$3,000 sponsor for the trip to reduce the overall cost hence per athlete cost. With fundraising and sponsors, we estimate the cost to be \$600-\$700 per athlete. We have contacted all families and made it clear this was optional and gained approval from all.

Accessibility for students with disabilities:

Not Applicable.

Number of students needed to support trip:

The entire Cheer team has committed to attend the National Competition. There are 11 cheerleaders and 2 coaches.

Number of chaperones in attendance:

Currently, there are 5 adult chaperones committed to attend. There may be additional parents who may choose to attend, but at a minimum we have a commitment for 5 chaperones for 11 cheerleaders.

Method of transportation and/or travel agency/organization information:

The Cheer Booster is currently organizing all travel arrangements. The arrangements are for transportation to and from airports and flights. Once in Orlando, the Hotel package provides transportation to and from the competition venue. The Park is walking distance from the Hotel.

Items that will be finalized and submitted in writing once trip is approved by the Principal,

Superintendent and School Committee:

- Emergency plan including medical care plan including plan for to administration of medication
- CORI and CHRI for Chaperones (volunteers/non-school personnel)
- Extended Field Trip Waivers (overnight trip)

Miscellaneous Information:

- Exact times will be known once approval is granted and flights are booked.
- The actual days will not change
- The Cheer Booster and coaches will hold parent/player meetings closer to the date to review all information in detail, as well as team expectations

Thank you - your consideration and approval is greatly appreciated.

Contact:

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Cheer Boosters:

Karalyn Remillard, President

Kathy Fabian, Vice President

Amy Love, Treasurer