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SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR STUDENTS TO TRAVEL OUT-OF-COUNTRY

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: EDUCATION

A request has been received for students to travel out-of-country. All arrangements are in accordance with Board Policy 2340 - Field and Other District-Sponsored Trips and with School Board Policy 8640 – Transportation for Field and Other District-Sponsored Trips.

SCHOOL	TO	DATE	APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF STUDENTS	EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE
Barbara Goleman Senior High School	Madrid, Spain and Paris, France	03/9/12 to 03/17/12	6	To educate students about sites and cultures they have learned about in the classroom.

Eight days are required for this trip, none of which are school days. Travel will be provided by a major airline carrier such as American Airlines, Iberia Airlines or Air France.

The cost to each student will be \$2,825.00. One chaperone will travel with the group at no cost since Educational Tours offers one free chaperone for every six participants.

The students and chaperones participating in the trip will be registered with the U.S. Department of State by utilizing their on-line Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) which is a free service provided by the United States Government. By registering trip participants with STEP, the Department of State can better assist them in an emergency.

Students will provide written reports to the principal summarizing the highlights, experiences and educational value of the trip. The reports will also be posted on the school's website for other students to review.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the out-of-country field trip to Madrid, Spain, and Paris, France, for the students at Barbara Goleman Senior High School.

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