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 School Operations

**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 the School Board Policy 2340 - Field and Other District-Sponsored Trips and with the School Board Policy 8640 – Transportation for Field and Other District-Sponsored Trips.

School	Destination	Date	Approximate # of Students/Chaperones	Cost	Airline	Educational Purpose
South Miami Senior High School	Rome, Florence, and Assisi, Italy	3/17/16 to 3/24/16 Two School Days	30/5	\$2,785	American Airlines or another major approved airline carrier	Students will explore the architectural geometry and structural engineering of Italy's greatest monumental works.

The students and teachers participating in the above-mentioned 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 a written report to their principals 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:

1. Out-of-country field trip to Rome, Florence, and Assisi, Italy, for the students at South Miami Senior High School.

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