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 School Operations

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

**COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL SERVICES AND STUDENT AND SCHOOL SUPPORT**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: SAFE, HEALTHY AND SUPPORTIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT**

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
New World School of the Arts	Kagoshima City, Japan	10/13/15 to 10/20/15  Six School Days	6/2	No cost to the student	Japan Airlines ** Operated by American Airlines	As students visit they will learn the global settings of Japan and engage and perform with local Japanese citizens and other Asian Youth as well as their culture and customs.

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 is 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 principal summarizing the highlights, experiences and educational value of the trip. The reports will also be posted on the schools' website for other students to review.

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**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the out-of-country field trip to:

1. Kagoshima City, Japan, for the students at New World School of the Arts.

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