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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

Requests have 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*. The State Department alerts U.S. citizens to possible risks of travel due to increased threats. There is always the possibility that a change in the travel alert level may occur prior to a trip. When there is a travel warning the affected trips will not be approved.

| SCHOOL | DESTINATION | DATE | APPROXIMATE # OF STUDENTS/ CHAPERONES | COST | AIRLINE | EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---------|---|---|
| Alonzo and Tracy Mourning Senior High | Beijing, Xi'an, and Shanghai, China | 06/12/2017 to 06/20/2017 No School Days | 12 / 2 | \$3,660 | American Airlines or Approved Major Carrier | The purpose of the trip is to educate the students on how travel and tourism impact the industry in both China and the United States. |
| Coral Reef Senior High | Paris, France and Barcelona, Spain | 04/07/2017 to 04/14/2017 (1) School Day | 18 / 3 | \$3,274 | American Airlines or Approved Major Carrier | The purpose of the trip is to educate the students of the sites and cultures they have learned in the curriculum. |
| Felix Varela Senior High | Venice, Rome and Florence, Italy | 04/08/2017 to 04/16/2017 No School Days | 18 / 3 | \$2,950 | American Airlines or Approved Major Carrier | The purpose of the trip is to provide students a historical perspective of the issues confronting today's globalized world. |

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| John A. Ferguson Senior High | Venice, Rome and Florence, Italy | 04/07/2017 to 04/16/2017 (1) School Day | 18 / 3 | \$3,585 | American Airlines or Approved Major Carrier | As students visit the historical and cultural sites, they will learn how these historical cities are important in Europe's contemporary world history and the respective cultural and economic influences on global society. |
| Miami Art Studio 6-12 at Zelda Glazer | London, England | 04/06/2017 to 04/12/2017 (2) School Days | 24 / 4 | \$3,128 | American Airlines or Approved Major Carrier | As students visit the cities' monuments and vistas, they will learn how these historic sites reflect on the importance of England in the establishment of the culture and customs in the United States. |
| Miami Beach Senior High | Geneva and Lucerne, Switzerland; Frankfurt and Munich, Germany and Salzburg, Austria | 04/06/2017 to 04/15/2017 (2) School Days | 30 / 5 | \$3,622 | American Airlines or Approved Major Carrier | The purpose of the trip is to educate the students of the sites and cultures they have learned in their science course work, as they will explore the area that spearheaded to many of modern science's leading breakthroughs. |
| Miami Lakes Educational Center | London, England and Paris, France | 04/08/2017 to 04/16/2017 No School Days | 40 / 6 | \$3,065 | American Airlines or Approved Major Carrier | Students will learn how these cities and historic sites relate to the establishment of Britain and the role played in British imperialism. |

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| Miami Palmetto Senior High | Johannesburg, Kruger National Park, and Cape Town, South Africa | 04/06/2017 to 04/18/2017 (4) School Days | 24 / 4 | \$4,675 | American Airlines or Approved Major Carrier | The purpose of the trip is to educate the students of the sites and cultures they have learned in the curriculum. |
| Ponce de Leon Middle | Paris, Provence, and Nice, France; Florence, and Rome, Italy | 04/07/2017 to 04/15/2017 (1) School Day | 9 / 2 | \$3,215 | American Airlines or Approved Major Carrier | The students will learn how these historic sites reflect on the importance of France and Italy in the establishment of the culture and customs in the United States. |
| South Miami Senior High | Berlin, Dresden and Munich Germany; Prague, Czech Republic; and Lucerne, Switzerland | 04/08/2017 to 04/16/2017 No School Days | 24 / 4 | \$3,170 | American Airlines or Approved Major Carrier | The students will explore architectural geometry and structural engineering of the sites visited. |

The students and teachers participating in the above-mentioned trips 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 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.

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

1. Beijing, Xi'an, and Shanghai, China for the students at Alonzo and Tracy Mourning Senior High School;
2. Paris, France and Barcelona, Spain for the students at Coral Reef Senior High School;
3. Venice, Rome and Florence, Italy for the students at Felix Varela Senior High School;
4. Venice, Rome and Florence, Italy for the students at John A. Ferguson Senior High School;
5. London, England for the students at Miami Art Studio 6-12 at Zelda Glazer;
6. Geneva and Lucerne, Switzerland; Frankfurt and Munich, Germany and Salzburg, Austria for the students at Miami Beach Senior High School;
7. London, England and Paris, France for the students at Miami Lakes Educational Center;
8. Johannesburg, Kruger National Park, and Cape Town, South Africa for the students at Miami Palmetto Senior High School;
9. Paris, Provence, and Nice, France; Florence, and Rome, Italy for the students at Ponce de Leon Middle School; and
10. Berlin, Dresden and Munich Germany; Prague, Czech Republic; and Lucerne, Switzerland for the students at South Miami Senior High School.

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