## **Board Policy #2340 - FIELD AND OTHER CORPORATION-SPONSORED TRIPS OUT OF STATE/OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP REQUEST**



## **CHECKLIST**

WHO:

MVHS Boys Track & Field

WHAT:

**IHSAA State Finals** 

WHEN:

May 30th - May 31st, 2019

WHERE:

Indiana University

CHAPERONES: Bruce Kendall, Nick Clarkson

**TRANSPORTATION: 1 Mini Bus** 

COST: Student = \$0

Athletics = \$350 Corporation = \$0

WHY: Dawan Langston qualified for the state finals in the 200M dash. Practice is Thursday at IU and competition is Friday evening.

MEDICAL RELEASES/PARENT PERMISSION ON FILE: Yes

SAFETY AND SUPERVISION PROVISIONS: Coaches will be present with athlete(s) at all times.

## 2020 Spring Break Biology Trip Proposal

MVCSC School Board

I am interested in taking a group of students on a Spring Break Trip in 2020 in order to further their exposure to Biology in general and in particular to field work and the conservation of resources. I am tentatively planning to leave on Sunday, March 15th in the morning and return on Saturday, March 21st late in the evening. I am exploring projects that help us look at Human Impact on the Environment which lines up primarily with Biology Standard 3 Interdependence, with secondary correlation to Biology Standard 5 Evolution as we examine classification of organisms, advantageous hereditable traits and adaptability of species. It is highly probable that our project will include some mathematical computation and modeling that would also meet several STEM standards. I am primarily looking into taking students to the Biloxi, Mississippi area or the Barataria-Terrebonne Estuary area in Southern Louisiana. I am currently looking for projects and housing for our group.

I sent an interest survey to the student body, and I have had almost 70 students show interest. Knowing that some will drop off, I have set up a budget for the trip based on 26 students and 4 staff. In budgeting, I have set a 6.5:1 student to staff ratio. If we end up with a higher student to staff ratio, we could lower the budget or do some extra activities while on the trip. The lodging options I am looking at will all be separate buildings for males and females and we will take both male and female staff. I would like to use 2 school mini-buses, as that would allow us to charge much less. I have also built a little extra override in to make sure that we can cover any unexpected expenses. Projected cost if we use 2 school mini-buses is \$345 per student.

I am setting a prerequisite for the trip that each student must have passed Biology 1. That will ensure that the students all have at least a basic understanding of biological principles and will be able to discuss our topics with some degree of sophistication. My Bio 1 students have all done a "Human Impact Project" where they study in-depth how humans have and continue to impact our environment. Some of the projects typically include looking at invasive species, eutrophication, tidal power and other themes that are directly affecting the Gulf of Mexico where we will be doing our project. I will also be requiring students to fill out an application and have two recommendations from teachers to be eligible to travel with us.

I am requesting approval of this trip so I can begin recruiting students and firm up plans for our work and lodging. Please let me know if you have any questions or if you need clarification on any of the information provided in my proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Mitchel

MVHS Biology Department



## Biology Trip- March 2020

Financial Summary		
Item	Projected Cost	Actual Cost
Transportation	\$90.00	\$0.00
Meals	\$150.00	\$0.00
Hotels/Lodging	\$75.00	\$0.00
Excursions	\$30.00	\$0.00
Snacks/Incidentals	\$75.00	\$0.00
Other/Souvenirs	\$100.00	\$0.00
Totals:	\$345.00	\$0.00

\*\*-Not paid to MVHS

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**Net:** \$345.00