

**GLENBROOK  
SOUTH  
HIGH SCHOOL**

*Northfield Township High School District 225*



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*Office of the Principal*

**To:** Dr. Mike Riggle

**From:** Brian K. Wegley *BKW*

**Re:** 9.a - POMS Trip #1

**Date:** August 2, 2011

Attached is a travel request from Julie Manning to take the Varsity Titan Poms to the Universal Dance Association Dance Team Competition in Orlando, Florida. This year represents the 7<sup>th</sup> time GBS students have qualified for and represented GBS in this prestigious competition. As defined in the attached Board Policy 7050, this will be an Educational Tour, which is travel conducted, but not financed, by the district.

I am proud of the accomplishments of these students and grateful for the honor this type of success brings to the Glenbrooks. I support the approval of this tour.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

**GLENBROOK HIGH SCHOOLS**  
**Travel Requests Requiring Board of Education Approval**

I. School GBN GBS GBE GBOC District \_\_\_\_\_  
 II. Initiator Julie Manning Phone 847-486-4661  
 Position Varsity Titan Poms Coach Date of Submission 7/11/11

III. Date and Times of Leave/Return  
 Total Number of School Days Missed per Person 3 (2/2, 2/3, 2/6)  
 Departure Date/Time 2/2/12 Return Date/Time 2/6/12

IV. Name of Individuals Participating in Tour: (Attach list if necessary.)  
 Teachers and Staff Julie Manning + minimum of 15 parent chaperones  
 Students Varsity Titan Poms (21 girls)

V. Description, Destination, and Reason for Trip  
Trip to Orlando, Florida to compete in the UDA National Dance Team Championship. Please see attached description

VI. Cost of Trip  
 Was this trip included in your Dept. \_\_\_\_\_ Bldg. \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Budget? \_\_\_\_\_

	Total Amount	Per Person	Account #
Registration	<u>10,227</u>	<u>487<sup>00</sup></u>	
Lodging	<u>included</u>	<u>included</u>	
Meals (Advance)	<u>4,200</u>	<u>200<sup>00</sup></u>	
Judging	<u>—</u>	<u>N/A</u>	
Substitute Teacher	<u>—</u>	<u>N/A</u>	
Transportation	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	
Air	<u>6300</u>	<u>300<sup>00</sup></u>	
Bus/Car		<u>0</u>	
District Total	<u>0</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Cost to Student	<u>20,727</u>	<u>987<sup>00</sup></u>	<u>N/A</u>

VII. Approval  
[Signature] Supervisor [Signature] Principal \_\_\_\_\_ Superintendent \_\_\_\_\_  
7/21/11 Date 8/3/2011 Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Reminder:** No purchase or expenses prior to Board of Education approval.

Form approved by Board of education 12/15/97.

## National Dance Team Championship

February 4 - 5, 2012



The 2012 National Dance Team Championship (NDTC) will take place February 4th and 5th at the Walt Disney World Resort® in Orlando, Florida. The national championship is administered by Universal Dance Association, a division of Varsity Brands, Inc. The NDTC is the only national-level dance team championship that is endorsed by the National Federation of State High School Associations, the national service and administrative organization for high school athletics and fine arts programs in speech, debate, theater, and music.

Dance teams hoping to compete at the national level are evaluated at UDA summer camps in order to qualify for the competition. If you are interested in attending the NDTC and wish to learn how to qualify, contact your UDA State Director for details!

Last year, approximately 300 high school and all star dance teams made the cut and competed at the National Dance Team Championship, and we are expecting the same for 2012. Dance teams compete in divisions based on team size and grade/age level and have the option to enter 2 of the following categories: jazz, hip hop, pom, and high kick. Each year, there are an estimated 10,000 spectators in attendance. The competition will be broadcast on ESPN2 and will reach more than 90 million homes this year. For coverage of the 2011 NDTC, please scroll to the very bottom of this page.

Dear Board of Education,

I am writing to ask your permission to take the Varsity Titan Poms to the Universal Dance Association National Dance Team Competition. This prestigious competition will take place in Orlando, Florida on February 2 – 6, 2012. This would be our eighth year competing in this competition if we are granted permission to compete. The Varsity Titan Poms have already begun their preparations for the competition by qualifying for Nationals in July at the Illinois State Elite Camp. The girls earned a superior trophy based on ribbons earned in a team dance routine as well as individual performances. The girls have been working throughout the summer at GBS camp and look forward to participating in numerous weekend and afterschool practices to prepare for this privilege. The National Dance Team competition is televised on ESPN and is a fabulous opportunity for our team to grow and progress as dancers and teammates. Last year, almost forty additional friends and family joined the team in Orlando for this event. The National Dance Team Championship has become the focal point of our season for both the students and their parents. Last year, the Varsity Titan Poms advanced to the final round of competition in the Pom category for the first time in history of the program. We look forward to reaching our new goals this season. The entire Poms community appreciates your support.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. Manning Smith".

Julie Manning Smith

Glenbrook High School District #225

BOARD POLICY: EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL EXPERIENCES

7050

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Section A - Introduction

The Board of Education of District #225 believes that educational travel experiences can provide significant educational experiences for Glenbrook students. However, it is the policy of the Board of Education that such travel experiences should not be scheduled to conflict with normal student attendance days. Under extraordinary circumstances, the Board may approve exceptions to this policy.

Section B - Educational Tours: Travel Conducted, but Not Financed, by the District

1. The Board of Education is authorized by Illinois statute to conduct educational tours as a supplement to particular courses of instruction, within or without the district, the State of Illinois, or the United States.
2. Recommendation of the principal and approval of the superintendent shall be required for all educational tours. Recommendation of the principal and the superintendent and approval of the Board of Education shall be required for educational tours conducted outside the State of Illinois or adjacent states, and for educational tours that require students to be absent from school for one day or more.
3. No student or employee may participate in an educational tour unless he has accident and health insurance coverage protecting against bodily injury or death and, if he is an employee, disability while participating in the tour. Cost of said insurance shall be assumed by the organization financing the tour. Validation of satisfactory insurance coverage shall be made in writing to the assistant superintendent of business affairs.
4. The Board of Education is not authorized to use school funds for any expenditures incurred on such a tour for meals, lodging, or transportation costs. However, the Board may authorize the payment of salaries of necessary personnel while on tour if the personnel are performing in the ordinary course of their employment.
5. All school rules and regulations regarding student conduct shall apply for students participating in educational tours.

**Section C - Educational Travel : Travel Not Sponsored, Supported, or Conducted by the District**

1. The Board of Education authorizes the superintendent to approve requests submitted by a school employee or a private agency and which have been recommended for approval by the principal, to use school facilities to inform students of educational travel programs within any of the fifty United States or any foreign country which, in the discretion of the principal and the superintendent, have educational significance for the district's students. Such use may be granted only with the clear understanding that the program is not sponsored or supported by the Board of Education and that the Board of Education assumes no legal responsibility or financial liability related to the program. Further, all materials used by the sponsoring agency in publicizing the program must contain a statement to this effect which has been approved by the superintendent. These same materials must also carry the identification of the sponsoring agency.
  
2. No student or employee may participate in educational travel unless he has accident and health insurance coverage protecting against bodily injury or death and, if an employee, disability while participating in the educational travel. Cost of said insurance shall be assumed by the employee or private agency financing the educational travel. Validation of satisfactory insurance coverage shall be made in writing to the assistant superintendent of business affairs.

**Section D - Use of Equipment, Materials, or Supplies to Promote Educational Travel**

Glenbrook equipment, materials or supplies, including stationery, shall be used for school-sponsored activities only, and shall not be used for any educational travel which is not school sponsored.

**Section E - Student Trips Exclusion**

Student trips are not included within the provisions of this policy.

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