

ELIDA LOCAL SCHOOLS

PROPOSAL FOR OVERNIGHT/EXTENDED STUDENT TRIPS (NON-ATHLETIC)

Type of Trip Band Camp
 Proposed Departure Date Monday, July 27, Return Date Saturday, August 1,
 Proposer Michael Position Director of
 Date by which response is needed July 1, 2026 Proposal Date May 14, 2026

A. Purpose

1. What is the major place to be visited or event to be attended?

4-H Camp Palmer
 26450 County Rd. MN
 Fayette, Ohio
 43520-9575

2. How is the trip related to the educational program of the District?

Band Camp week is a vital part of the process of having the students learn our primary halftime show and also pregame, both of which are performed at all varsity football games throughout the entire season, as well as at multiple other events throughout the community.

3. In what ways will the students benefit?

This week spent together at band camp is the one week out of the year when we have the students all to ourselves, allowing for an in-depth, intensive week of developing the skills of marching and playing an instrument at the same time, and creating a halftime show and pregame

4. In what ways will the District benefit?

The District benefits from the multiple performances put on by our marching band because it creates goodwill among the community members by creating pride in our band program, considered for decades to be one of the best in the greater Lima region.

5. How will the trip be evaluated to determine the extent to which these benefits were realized?

Observation of our finished product, a completed and refined show, on display for community members at events like the fair show, football games, Bulldawg Jams, etc. will be evidence to the hard work that our students put in all week at band camp.

B. Students and Staff

1. Which students, (grade, class, or organization), will be going?
All students signed up to be in the high school band class next school year must attend band camp.
2. How many students in total?
At present, we have 82 students in grades 9-12 for next school year who will attend. band camp.
3. How many students are currently experiencing academic problems?
At present, zero students enrolled in high school band are experiencing academic problems.
4. Which staff member will be in charge?
Michael Parent will be in charge of the students at band camp, as he is the Director of Bands.
5. What previous experience has the staff member had in conducting overnight or extended field trips?
Michael Parent has over 30 years of band camp experience, 25 of which are in the role of either head band director or assistant band director.
6. What other staff members will be going?
Danny Hong, Darrell Bryan, Angela Ramsdail, Jennifer Parent, Amanda Cummans, Jen Brinkman, Jill Coppler, Christe Ferguson
7. How many chaperones, in addition to staff members, will be going?
Approximately 15-20 chaperones will spend the entire week with us at camp, in addition to the Elida staff members.
8. What are their names and affiliations with the students?
Band parents and band alumni, including Bryce Ballard, Missy Bowers, Andrew Dunahay, Lindsey Dunahay, Michael Kaye, Chloe Parent, Tiffany Thomas, Abby Kaye, Joey Ballard, Heather Bracy, Susan Bryan, Brandon Flores, Tish Kill, Robert Tomasi, Drew Schultheis,
9. How many school days will be missed?
None
10. How will teachers be advised in advance that the students will be out of school?
Not applicable.

C. School Work

1. How will missed work be made up?
Not applicable.
2. What special assistance will be provided students with academic problems?
Not applicable.

D. Itinerary

1. What is the destination?
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2. What will be the mode of transportation? What liability insurance does the carrier have?
School busses will be our only mode of transportation for students, and school insurance
3. Where will the group be housed and fed?
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4. What enroute or supplementary activities are planned?
No enroute or supplementary activities will be needed, as the total travel time is less than two hours.
5. What arrangements have been made for dealing with emergency situations?
We have a licensed nurse on staff with us for the entire week at band camp to handle any medical emergencies and plenty of additional chaperones in case there is need to run into town for any supplies.
6. What arrangements have been made for administering necessary medications to students while on this trip?
We have a licensed nurse on staff with us for the entire week at band camp and all distribution of prescription medications is done through her.
7. If tour guides are involved, what liability insurance do they carry?
Not applicable.

E. Finances

1. What is the estimated total cost and cost per student?

The estimated total cost per student, according to our contract with Camp Palmer, is \$285, but because our Elida Band Boosters have agreed to pay a portion of the cost for every student attending, students will only pay \$150 to attend band camp this year.

2. What is the source of funds?

Payments made by students for their portion, and payments made by the Elida Band Boosters to cover the difference.

3. How will the funds be collected and safeguarded?

One of two ways: Students either bring their payments in an envelope and drop them in the lockbox located in the band room, which is only accessible by our band booster officers, or payments made directly to band booster officers on select days when they are present at rehearsals specifically to collect payments (or on the day of departure for band camp.

4. How will any shortfall be made up or excess funds used?

The Elida Band Booster would cover any shortfall, should it be necessary to cover any balance owed.

5. What provision has been made for students who are financially unable to pay any necessary costs?

Every year, the Elida Band Boosters have a payment plan option available for students who unable to pay the full amount prior to departure for band camp, which offers flexible options for making payments.

F. Communications

1. How will you communicate to parents prior to, during, and after the trip?

Regular communication has already begun by way of a band camp information meeting, as well as paperwork sent home with all students eligible to participate in band camp. Continued communication will occur throughout the summer leading up to band camp by way of additional informational meetings, paperwork sent home, and social media communications, as needed. These communications continue both during, and after, band camp.

2. List telephone numbers at destination and where group will be housed.

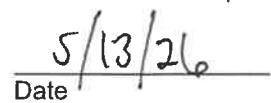
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3. What information will be provided to the media and the community?

Typically, no information is provided to the media, but regular posts tend to be made via Facebook or other social media platforms from our camp chaperones and staff throughout the week of band camp.



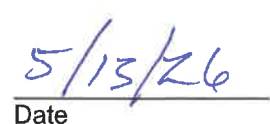
Signature of the Requestor



Approved:



Principal



Date

Board of Education

Date

