

**PROPOSAL FOR OVERNIGHT/EXTENDED STUDENT TRIPS**

Type of Trip Ohio Speech and Debate Association State Finals

Proposed Departure Date March 3, 2023 Return Date March 4, 2023

Proposer Tricia Pletcher Position Speech and Debate Coach

Date by which response is needed ASAP Proposal Date: February 8, 2023

**A. Purpose**

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

Austintown Fitch High School

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

Continuation of the Speech and Debate competition  
Season

**3. In what ways will the students benefit?**

- Continuation into postseason of competition
- Achievement of highest level of competition in Ohio
- Students representing Norton High School at a State Competition
- Scholarships are available to students

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

- Competition ranking results
- Coach and Competition evaluation and feedback

**B. Students and Staff****1. Which students, (grade, class, or organization), will be going?**

<u>Student</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Korren Cullom	12
Olivia Wengerd	12
Olivia Gray	11
Saige (Abigail) Wilson	11
Melinda Johnson	10
Lynae Friddle	10
Averie Myers	10
Abby Collins	9
Congress student 1	*These students to be named later
Congress student 2	

**2. How many students in total?**

Currently, 10 students will attend the trip. On February 17-18, the Eastern District National Qualifying Tournament provides another opportunity for students to qualify to States.

**3. Which staff members will be in charge?**

Tricia Pletcher, Head Coach

**4. What other staff members will be going?**

Anthony Paridon, Debate Coach

**5. How many chaperones, in addition to staff members, will be going?**

No additional chaperones will attend.

**6. Will any school days be missed? How many?**

Students will miss Friday, March 3, 2023.

**How will teachers be advised in advance that the students will be out of school?**

Via email

**C. School Work**

**1. How will missed work be made up?**

Students will be responsible for missing work.

**2. What special assistance will be provided students with academic problems?**

Should special assistance be required, I will work with the teachers, tutors, and intervention staff as necessary.

**D. Itinerary**

**1. What is the destination?**

OSDA State Finals, Austintown Fitch High School

**2. What will be the mode of transportation? What liability insurance does the carrier have?**

District School Bus

**3. Where will the group be housed and fed?**

Days Inn by Wyndham Niles  
1300 Youngstown Warren Rd  
Niles, Ohio 44446

**4. What enroute or supplementary activities are planned? Will the activities be led by the teacher in charge or a tour leader?**

No supplementary activities planned outside of tournament activities.

**5. What arrangements have been made for dealing with emergency situations?**

Emergency contact with students parents via cell phone  
Emergency facilities in Youngstown area

**6. What arrangements have been made for administering necessary medications to students while on this trip?**

Parent permission

**E. Finances**

- 1. What is the estimated total cost and cost per student? Please attach a worksheet that shows the breakdown of expenses and what is covered by each students cost (i.e. meals, admissions, etc.)**

Estimated cost: \$1522 (worksheet attached)

- 2. What is the source of funds?**

Travel for State Finals has been customarily covered by the NCSD. We travel when the event occurs in the Toledo, Cincinnati, or Youngstown Districts. For Akron/Canton and Cleveland, we do not travel overnight for this 2-day tournament. This is the first overnight States trip since 2019.

- 3. How will the funds be collected and safeguarded?**

I will collect and safeguard funds through the Forensics Activities Account, or whatever account applies.

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

Shortfalls would charge the Forensics Activities Account.  
Excess funds would be used for future Speech and Debate Tournament registration fees.

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

If financial challenges arise, I will explore options of fundraising into the activities account for Speech & Debate (Forensics).

**F. Communications**

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

- Writing: information, itinerary, permission slips
- Cell phone and email: before, during, after trip

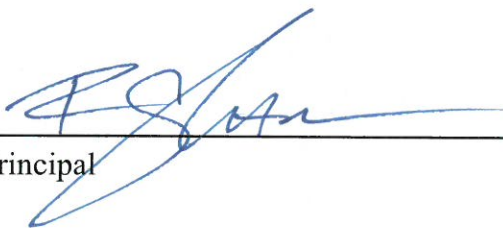
**2. List telephone numbers at destination and where group will be housed.**

Tricia Pletcher cell phone: 330-322-0383

Tricia Pletcher  
Signature of Requestor

February 8, 2023  
Date

Approved:

  
Principal

2.8.23  
Date

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Superintendent

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Date

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Board of Education

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Date



**Expenses for Ohio High School Speech League State Finals 2016**

**Location: Austintown Fitch High School Youngstown, OH**

**Dates: March 3-4 2023**

<b>Expense</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Team Registration	\$170	
Lodging	\$872	Days Inn by Wyndham Niles: 8 rooms, 1 night, \$95 per night + taxes
Per diem meals	\$480	Customary per diem of \$20/day for 12 students/coaches, 2 days
<b>Trip Attendees:</b>		
Tricia Pletcher	Coach	
Anthony Paridon	Coach	
Korren Cullom	State Qualifier	
Olivia Wengerd	State Qualifier	
Olivia Gray	State Qualifier	
Saige (Abigail) Wilson	State Qualifier	
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