

**LA CAÑADA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF SCHOOL SPONSORED ACTIVITY**

TO: Superintendent

FROM: Jason Stone

DATE: May 4, 2016

Activity Name and Destination: Instrumental Music Program to Ireland

Address: Dublin, Ireland

Date(s) of Activity: Tuesday, March 13th - Wednesday, March 21st, 2018

School(s): La Cañada High School

Number of Students Attending and Grade Level or Group: 9-12, 120

Supervising Certificated Employee(s): Jason Stone and Kyle Smith

How many administrators attending? 1 How many teachers attending? 2

Adult to Student Ratio: 1:7 Employee to Student Ratio: 1:40

How many substitutes? 2 How many days? 6 Charge Substitute to: ASB - Band

Rationale for activity:

- A) Explain the educational value and relate to the instructional program or sponsoring organization and Policy 1100.

The Marching Band and Orchestra have a once in a lifetime experience planned. The Marching Band would participate in the Limerick and Dublin St. Patrick's Day Parades (Dublin on the 17th), the two largest parades in Ireland. The orchestra would have the opportunity to perform at great locations to appreciative audiences. These performances would enhance the level of playing of all students as we prepare to perform for an international audience, a much larger stage than we can have on our campus.

- B) Explain impact on instructional time and justification for any time lost.

We would leave after school on Tuesday, March 12th, so we would miss 6 days (unless there is a way to adjust the calendar to move Spring Break up one week. Then we would only miss 3 days). There is no possible way we could do the same experience in a local environment. The experience of being in the Dublin parade on St. Patrick's Day will truly be a life memory for each participant and is not something they could recreate on a non-performing trip to Ireland. The history and music in Ireland is an excellent way to discover it's culture and make a connection to the world outside La Cañada and the United States.

- C) Complete Itinerary: Please be specific and include detailed activity time periods for each day. (Attach additional page(s) if necessary.)

See Attached

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Destination/Date(s): Instrumental Music Trip to Ireland - March 13-21, 2018

COMPLETE COST BREAKDOWN

Category	Amount	Category	Amount
Registration:	\$	Registration	\$
Housing:	\$ 800	Housing	\$ 96,000
Transportation Method: Air and Bus	\$ 1,200	Transportation	\$ 144,000
Miscellaneous Expenses:	\$	Miscellaneous Expenses	\$
Meals:	\$ 300	Meals	\$ 36,000
Total Student Cost	\$ 2,300	Total Group Cost	\$ 276,000

Source of Funds:

The trip will be student funded through fund raisers, parent contributions and Music Parents Association (MPA) scholarships.

How is financial assistance provided to students in need:

MPA has established a scholarship fund to help support those in financial assistance.

If this activity is not planned for all your students, what learning activities will be planned for the students or classes that remain in session? Please attach lesson plans.

Activity is planned for all students. Those who choose not to go, will continue to work on preparations for the upcoming festival concert.

Approved: Principal

Approved: Superintendent or Designee

Date

Date

Tour Details

Mar 13 - Mar 21, 2018

Group Leader

Jason Stone

Group ID

112040

Depart From

Los Angeles

Included Features

- Round-trip airfare based on economy class
- Accommodation in 3-star hotels
- Double occupancy with private bath
- Breakfast and dinner during tour
- All sightseeing and entrance as listed in the itinerary
- Participation in the St. Patrick's Day Parade, Dublin
- Participation in the St. Patrick's Day Parade, Limerick
- On-site performance assistance, venue rental, concert permits and arrangements
- Services of a professional Tour Manager throughout your travel program
- Local guides provided for city sightseeing in all major cities



2018 St. Patrick's Day Parade Tour

La Canada High School Band

Dublin 5, Limerick 2

MAR 13, 2018: OVERNIGHT FLIGHT Depart from the USA for your custom 9-day performance tour of Ireland!

MAR 14, 2018: DUBLIN Welcome to Ireland! Arrive in Dublin and meet your Tour Manager. Begin your adventure right away by taking a guided city sightseeing tour of Ireland's capital city! Finally, enjoy a visit of St. Patrick's Cathedral before checking in to the Maldron Newlands Cross hotel. At 7pm, have dinner together at the hotel and settle in for a good night's sleep. (D)

MAR 15, 2018: DUBLIN Journey outside Dublin today on a full day excursion to Belfast. Belfast was the only city in Ireland to experience the full force of the Industrial revolution, and in which it played a key role. Linen, rope making, tobacco and most famously ship building including the building of the Titanic on the Harland & Wolff shipyard were the main industries. Take a tour with a local guide to learn the history of the city and see the Loyalist Shankill Road and Republican Falls Road. Next, a static performance at the Titanic Belfast's outdoor plaza is possible - weather permitting. Then, explore the newly opened and impressive Titanic Museum this afternoon and see the enormous Titanic Dry Dock that remains unchanged since 1911. Return to your hotel for a 7:30pm dinner together.. (B,D)

MAR 16, 2018: DUBLIN Delve into Ireland's past today as you discover the award-winning Glasnevin Museum and Cemetery with a guided tour. You will be shown a fascinating side of modern Irish history including the stories of Daniel O'Connell, Michael





2018 St. Patrick's Day Parade Tour

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Collins, Charles Stewart Parnell, and many more. This afternoon enjoy Festival Ceili, an outdoor event where you will really immerse yourself into to Irish culture with live traditional music and Interactive Irish dancing! (schedule TBD) Return to the hotel for dinner together at 7pm. (B,D)

MAR 17, 2018: DUBLIN Today, you will participate in the St Patrick's Day Parade on what the Guinness Book of World Records calls 'the Friendliest Day of the Year'! Have the amazing opportunity to march in the famous parade, where over 500,000 people come to celebrate each year in Dublin. Return to the hotel to change after your performance. Return to the center where you will be given tickets to the Dublin Fun Fairs in Merrion Square and Custom House (schedule TBD). Return to the hotel for dinner together at 7pm. (B,D)

MAR 18, 2018: LIMERICK Board your coach and head southwest today, where you will participate in the Limerick Marching Festival! Assemble in Perry Square for the start of the parade. Spend the entire day enjoying the parade and the presentations afterward in Arthur Quay's Park. Return to your hotel this evening. (B,D) (B,D)

MAR 19, 2018: LIMERICK Today's excursion explores the Iveragh Peninsula, or otherwise known as the Ring of Kerry, Ireland's famed countryside of beaches, castles, beehives and abbeys. Enjoy a picturesque lunch as you take in the quintessential Irish countryside. Return back to Limerick this evening for dinner as a group. (B,D)

MAR 20, 2018: DUBLIN Your journey swings north to Bunnratty Folk Park and Castle, a recreation of rural life in Ireland at the turn of the century. You'll drive through the unique, nature-carved limestone landscape of the Burren, dotted with interesting archaeological and historical sites, before arriving at the dramatic and exhilarating Cliffs of Moher. Conquer Bunnratty Castle and enjoy a festive banquet dinner in celebration of your Irish adventure! Continue to Dublin for a good night's rest in preparation of your departure home tomorrow. (B,D)

MAR 21, 2018: DEPARTURE Transfer to the airport for your return flights home. (B)

This is a preliminary itinerary for your group.

