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Ladies and Gentlemen of the Board,

On November 11th - 13th, 2021, the Estill County High School Marching Band is planning to compete in the Bands of America Grand Nationals competition. This national competition will be held at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, Indiana. This letter serves as the official request for approval of this out of state trip.

In the past, the Board has paid for and provided transportation for this trip. They have also been gracious enough to cover the cost of accommodations (one night) for our postseason, out of state competitions. I am also requesting that these two expenses continue to be honored.

Erika Adams and I have been in contact with our local Health Department to receive guidance on how to proceed with out of state/overnight travel during these difficult times. Several suggestions have been offered and will be implemented to ensure safe travel for our students and staff. Bands of America will also be following COVID protocol that has been set forth by the Marion County Board of Health.

As always, thank you for your continued support of our program. Providing students with opportunities such as this, will create memories and experiences that will last a lifetime. For some, this will be the first time they have ever traveled across state lines, stayed in a hotel, or performed on such a grand stage! Again, thank you for valuing music education in our district. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Musically,

Jason Bowles Estill County Bands