**THIS IS A DECISION PAPER:**

**TO:** Members of the Hardin County Board of Education

**FROM:** Teresa Morgan, Superintendent

**DATE:** September 19, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Central Hardin High School Senior Class Trip

**DISCUSSION:**

Central Hardin would like to continue with the Senior class trip. The administration has tried to outline a trip that would provide a good educational experience for our seniors that would provide an opportunity that some students may not have the chance to experience again. An itinerary is outlined below; students will experience a mixture of many outstanding venues in Tennessee. We will contract with a private carrier for motor coach transportation as it is both cost and time effective. We will have chaperone coverage on a 10:1 ratio including administrators, teachers, and volunteer parents. Students will be allowed to pay for the cost trip in installments and fundraising opportunities will be made available to help defray costs.

Any students who need scholarships for attending will have them provided. Chaperones will be paid for with school funds.

**2025 Senior trip proposed itinerary**

**Thursday 5/8/2025 Cost**

2:00 P.M. Leave Central

6:30 P.M. Chattanooga Lookouts Baseball game 35 (includes meal)

9:00 Leave for hotel

9:30 Hotel for night 1 Chattanooga Marriott Downtown 70

**Friday 5/9/2025**

9:00 A.M. Leave Hotel

9:30 Chattanooga Aquarium 25

12:00 Lunch (possibly on their own)

1:00 Load busses to Sevierville

3:30 Arrive at Courtyard Kodak, Tennessee 65

6:00 Dinner show at either Dixie Stampede or Pirates show 65

7:30 Return to Hotel for the night

**Saturday 5/10/2025**

8:30 A.M. Leave Hotel

9:00 Dollywood $65 (includes Meal Voucher)

6:00 Buses pick us and return home to Elizabethtown.

Charter Bus Expense: $150

**Trip Total: $475**

# Academic connections: The Chattanooga Aquarium offers supporting materials for connections to standards in Science to include environmental and conservation standards. The production we will participate in later that day is tied to standards in Arts and Humanities. Finally, with the Saturday visit to the theme park, they offer supporting materials for math and science standards that allow for Project Based activities that align with the attraction.

# PROPOSAL

The Hardin County Board of Education approves out-of-state travel via private carrier for the Central Hardin High School Senior Class for the trip outlined above.

**RECOMMENDATION**:

I recommend that the Hardin County Board of Education approve the CHHS Senior class

trip to Tennessee beginning May 8-10, 2025, via commercial carrier for cost and time efficiency.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION**:

I move that the Hardin County Board of Education approve the CHHS Senior class

trip to Tennessee beginning May 8-10, 2025, via commercial carrier for cost and time efficiency.