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<u>Consent Agenda Item (Action Item)</u>: To allow the PHS Senior Class to take a senior trip during Spring Break 2025. No instructional time will be lost.

<u>Applicable Statute or Regulation:</u> Board Policy 01.11 General Powers and Duties of the Board of Education

Fiscal/Budgetary Impact: Senior class will fundraise and seek donations to cover all expenses.

<u>History/Background:</u> Schools have been conducting senior trips for years. PHS has attempted to start this process for three years now after years of no planned senior trips.

Recommended Action: Approve Prestonsburg High School to take a senior trip during spring break.

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Date: 9-13-24

Purpose of the Trip:

The purpose of this trip is to provide an educational, cultural, and memorable experience for the senior class, celebrating their achievements before graduation. The trip will enhance the students' knowledge through hands-on learning and exposure to diverse cultures and environments.

Destination Options:

Washington, D.C.: A tour of the nation's capital, offering historical and governmental insights. New York City: Cultural and artistic experiences, including Broadway shows and museum visits. Orlando, Florida: A balance of educational experiences at Kennedy Space Center and recreational activities at theme parks.

Supervision and Safety:

Faculty members, including chaperones and administrators, will supervise students throughout the trip. All transportation will be provided by licensed and insured companies, and accommodations will be in reputable hotels with appropriate security measures.

Itinerary:

An itinerary will be finalized once the destination is chosen, outlining daily activities, meals, and designated free time. All activities will be pre-approved by the administration to ensure they meet the educational objectives.

Parental and Administrative Approval:

Parent permission forms, waivers, and medical information will be collected well in advance. All necessary school board and administrative approvals will be obtained to ensure compliance with school policies.

Transportation and Lodging:

Arrangements for transportation will be made through a reputable travel company. Lodging will be arranged in safe and centrally located hotels to facilitate easy access to the educational and recreational sites.

Student Conduct:

All participating students will be required to adhere to Prestonsburg High School's code of conduct during the trip. Any breach of conduct may result in disciplinary action, including being sent home at the parent's expense.

Costs and Funding:

An estimated cost breakdown per student will include:

- Transportation (bus or flight)
- Accommodation
- Meals
- Tickets to events and attractions

Efforts will be made to keep costs manageable through fundraising and donations.

Educational Benefits:

Students will gain:

- Insight into the nation's history, culture, and government.
- Exposure to different career fields, including law, art, science, and entertainment.
 Opportunities to bond and strengthen relationships with classmates and teachers before graduation.