

**St. Louis Request**

**February 18th, 2026**

Dear Board Members,

The Middle School Band Program is requesting permission to go on our annual Spring Trip. This year our student Band Officers came together and elected to take a trip to St. Louis, MO. The trip will be the weekend of April 24th-26th. Students will be traveling outside of school hours and will not need to be excused from the school day. This two night trip is estimated to be around \$310 per student and would include a two night stay, school bus transportation, Six Flags and City Museum park admission, and breakfast and lunch. We would allow families to pay overtime rather than a one payment installment.

This trip celebrates our many accomplishments for the school year; Distinguished and Proficient ratings at Solo and Ensemble Festival, our contest ratings for the bands at the Large Ensemble Festival Contest in March, 17th students being selected to participate in the All-District Band by blind auditions, and two of our very own students being selected to participate in the the KMEA Middle School All-State Band. The trip is vital to our recruitment and retention and offers an opportunity for many of our middle school students to travel out of state for the first time.

All band students are permitted to attend this trip at the discretion of Mr. Carver. Students not in good standing for reasons such as poor attendance, poor grades, behavior issues, office referrals, or any other such cause may be denied permission to attend this trip. Students may not have any unexcused band concert absences. Students must currently have a grade above 70%/C- or higher to attend.

We will be using Magical Memories Travel company to book the trip.

Thanks for your continued support of our music programs. We look forward from hearing from you.

**Ty Carver**  
**Director of Bands**  
**Bourbon County Middle School**  
**Assistant Director - Bourbon County High School**

