

# Regular School Board Meeting

Monday, February 6, 2023 6:30 PM

LS-H MS/HS Media Center & Online (if unable to attend in person), 901 Ferry St., Le Sueur, MN 56058

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

## 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## 3. MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

## 4. STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW

## 5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

## 6. OPEN FORUM

## 7. LE SUEUR-HENDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT RECOGNIZES

### 7.1. Donations & Grants Received

## 8. REPORTS

### 8.1. Committee Reports

8.1.1. Finance **Presenter:** Director Matt Hathaway

8.1.2. Negotiations **Presenter:** Director Brigid Tuck

8.1.3. MVED **Presenter:** Director Steve Cross

8.1.4. Human Resource **Presenter:** Director Kelsey Schwartz

8.1.5. Policy **Presenter:** Director Gretchen Rehm

8.1.6. PLC

8.1.7. Community Ed Council **Presenter:** Director Brigid Tuck

### 8.2. Superintendent Report

8.3. Student Report **Presenter:** Marggie Froehlich

## 9. CONSENT AGENDA

### 9.1. Approval of District Office Consent Items

9.1.1. Minutes of Organizational Meeting held on 1.9.2023

9.1.2. Minutes of Special School Board Meeting held on 1.9.2023

9.1.3. Minutes of Special School Board Meeting held on 1.23.2023

### 9.2. Approval of Personnel Consent Items

9.2.1. Hirings

9.2.1.1. 8th Grade Baseball Coach- Marshall Dalziel

9.2.1.2. B Team Softball Co-coaches- Lauren Gregersen and Sara Milam

9.2.2. Resignations

9.2.2.1. PE and DAPE Teacher- Jack Schultz

9.2.2.2. B Team- Softball Coach- Anne Lewis

9.2.2.3. 5th Grade Teacher- Therese Jahr

9.2.2.4. Band Director - Devin Dirks

9.2.2.5. MS Softball Coach- Taylor Holicky

9.2.3. Requests

9.2.4. Retirements

9.2.4.1. Social Studies- Rick Bruns

10. **PURCHASES ABOVE \$5,000**

11. **OLD BUSINESS**

12. **NEW BUSINESS**

12.1. Approve amending the 2022-23 District Calendar by making March 13 and April 10 instructional days, E-Learning Days after if needed.

12.2. Approve MSHS Band/Choir Tour Proposal - New Orleans - **Presenter:** Cynthia Schmidt

12.3. Approve to list Park Elementary Building on the market by Cara Bishop Team.

13. **BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS / IDEAS EXCHANGE**

14. **NEXT MEETING INFORMATION**

14.1. Schedule of Upcoming Meetings

15. **ADJOURN**

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT GRANTS AND DONATIONS  
TO THE LE SUEUR-HENDERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**WHEREAS**, the Le Sueur-Henderson School District Board encourages the support of the district's educational programs through the funding and support of grant opportunities and donations that meet the goals and objectives of the school district;

**WHEREAS**, the school district will control and maintain all grants and donations to ensure that the interests of all students are met;

**WHEREAS**, the grants and donations listed below have been reviewed and approved by the administration of the Le Sueur-Henderson School District;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2397, to accept the following grants and donations for the purposes intended:

- City of Henderson - \$1,500 for Community Ed sledding hill supervision,
- Le Sueur Knights of Columbus - \$1,000 for the football banquet,
- United Fund of Le Sueur - \$875 for Community Education Book Buddies program,
- Le Sueur Knights of Columbus - \$2,806.17 for athletic Hudl subscription,
- Le Sueur Rotary - \$300 for Hilltop Kindness Retreat,
- Hometown Bank - \$100 for preschool and kindergarten round-up,
- Henderson Lions - \$384 for Community Education open gym at Hilltop,
- Holly Vinkemeier/Crystal's Gift - \$1,832 for Park Elementary special education program,
- Holly Vinkemeier/Crystal's Gift - \$1,027 for Hilltop Elementary special education program,
- Holly Vinkemeier/Crystal's Gift - \$3,471 for middle school/high school special education program.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Signed:

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
School Board Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
School Board Clerk

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 2397  
LE SUEUR-HENDERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MINUTES OF ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING  
MS/HS MEDIA CENTER AND ZOOM MEETING  
JANUARY 9, 2023

Item 1.0      **Induct New Board Members:**

Item 1.1 Administration of the Oath of Office.

Item 2.0      **Call to Order:** The organizational meeting of the Le Sueur-Henderson Board of Education was called to order at 6:32 PM. Board members in attendance were: Kelsey Schwartz, Brigid Tuck, Steve Cross, Gretchen Rehm, Jenny Burns, Brian Sorenson, Superintendent Jim Wagner(Zoom) , Maggie Froehlich(student board rep)

*Members Absent: Matt Hathaway*

Also in attendance: Admin. Assist., Juanita Flores, Darren Kern,  
via Zoom

Item 3.0      **Pledge of Allegiance:**

Item 4.0      **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Rehm, second by Sorenson, carried 6-0 to approve the organizational meeting agenda.

Item 5.0      **New Business:**

Item 5.1 **Election of Officers:**

Item 5.1.1 Board member Schwartz nominated Tuck for the position of Board Chair. No other nominations were made. Director Tuck declared Board Chair.

Item 5.1.2 Board member Rehm nominated Hathaway for the position of Board Vice Chair. No other nominations were made. Director Hathaway declared Board Vice-Chair.

Item 5.1.3 Board member Rehm nominated Schwartz for the position of Board Clerk. No other nominations were made. Director Schwartz declared Board Clerk.

Item 5.1.4 Board member Sorenson nominated Cross for the position of Board Treasurer. No other nominations were made. Director Cross declared Board Treasurer.

Item 5.2      **Organizational Items:**

Item 5.2.1 A resolution was presented to declare Columbus Day in October a non-legal holiday in the Le Sueur-Henderson Public School District pursuant to Minnesota Statute 645.44, Subd. 5. Said resolution is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. Motion made by Board Member Rehm and upon being seconded by Board Member Cross said Resolution was duly adopted by the following roll call vote, carried 6-0.

Cross:	Yes	Burns:	Yes
Schwartz:	Yes	Tuck:	Yes
Sorenson:	Yes	Rehm:	Yes

Item 5.2.2 Motion by Cross, second by Sorenson, carried 6-0, to set the dates, times, and locations of 2023 school board meetings with one (1) business meeting and one (1) work session a month.

Item 5.2.3 Motion by Rehm, second by Tuck, carried 6-0, to authorize the use of facsimile signatures in carrying out the district's business.

Item 5.2.4 Motion by Schwartz, second by Burns, carried 6-0, to approve the appointment of Anderson, Skubitz & Coryell, PLLC Law Firm, as the designated school district's attorney with a contingency to consult with firms Ratwick, Rosack, and Maloney and Kennedy & Graven when a conflict of interest becomes an issue or when a second legal opinion is needed.

Item 5.2.5 Motion by Schwartz, second by Sorenson, carried 6-0, to designate the Henderson Independent is the 2023 official newspaper for the school district. (The Henderson Independent meets all criteria required under state law provisions.)

Item 5.2.6 Motion by Cross, second by Sorenson, carried 6-0, to approve 2023 Board Member Stipends as follows.

Director- Annual Stipend	\$1,750
Chairperson- Annual Stipend	\$ 500
Vice Chairperson- Annual Stipend	\$ 125
Treasurer- Annual Stipend	\$ 250
Clerk- Annual Stipend	\$ 250
Special Meeting Compensation (per meeting)	\$ 40
In/Out of District Meeting Compensation per day	\$ 110
In/Out of District Meeting Compensation per ½ day	\$ 55
Negotiations Committee Member Stipend	\$ 250

Board members shall receive the meeting compensation for all regularly

scheduled board meetings during the year regardless of attendance. Board members in attendance of all special board meetings during the year shall receive the meeting compensation listed.

There will not be any additional compensation for committee meetings.

Mileage and meal compensation shall be as established by the school board at its annual organizational meeting.

In/Out of District compensation to board members are available only when compensation is not provided by any other agency or governmental body.

Item 5.2.7 Motion by Schwartz, second by Burns, carried 6-0, to set the cost of reimbursable meals for employees on school business for 2023 as follows:

Breakfast	\$10.00
Lunch	\$15.00
Dinner	<u>\$25.00</u>
Total Daily Rate	\$50.00

Item 5.2.8 Motion by Sorenson, second by Cross, carried 6-0, to set the cost of reimbursable meal allowance rates for participating students and coaches/advisors for MSHSL state tournaments for 2023 as follows:

Breakfast	\$ 5.00
Lunch	\$10.00
Dinner	<u>\$15.00</u>
Total Daily Rate	\$30.00

Item 5.2.9 Motion by Tuck, second by Rehm, carried 6-0, to reimburse mileage for applicable employees at \$0.655/mile based on the standard mileage rate established by the IRS.

Item 5.2.10 Motion by Sorenson, second by Burns, carried 6-0, to authorize the Superintendent to approve all purchase orders processed in accordance to Policy 797 - Purchasing.

Item 5.2.11 A resolution was presented directing the administration to make recommendations for reductions in programs and positions and reasons therefore. Said Resolution is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. Motion made by Board Member Tuck and upon being seconded by Board Member Schwartz said Resolution was duly adopted by the following roll call vote, carried 6-0.

Hathaway: Yes/No                      Cross: Yes/No

Schwartz:	Yes/No	Tuck:	Yes/No
Sorenson:	Yes/No	Rehm:	Yes/No
Burns:	Yes/No		

Item 5.2.12 Appointment of Board Committee Members, Representatives and Committee Chairs:

Item 5.12.1 Finance Committee Members and Chair- Hathaway(C), Cross, Burns.

Item 5.12.2 Human Resources Committee and Chair- Schwartz(C), Tuck, Burns.

Item 5.12.3 Policy Committee Members and Chair- Rehm(C), Schwartz, Cross, Burns.

Item 5.12.4 Negotiations Committee Members and Chair- Tuck(C), Sorenson, Burns

Item 5.12.5 Activities Advisory- Schwartz.

Item 5.12.6 Community Education Council Member- Tuck.

Item 5.12.7 District Staff Development Team- Rehm.

Item 5.12.8 Facilities Steering Committee (3 plus 1 Chair)- Hathaway(C), Rehm, Sorenson.

Item 5.12.9 Insurance- Schwartz.

Item 5.12.10 MVED Board Member- Cross.

Item 5.12.11 MN State High School League Liaison- Hathaway.

Item 5.12.12 Professional Growth Committee- Tuck.

Item 5.12.13 World's Best Workforce- Rehm.

Item 5.12.14 Meet and Confer- Rehm.

Item 5.12.15 Marketing Committee- Schwartz(C)

Item 6.0 **Adjourn:** Motion by Rehm, second by Cross, carried by 6-0, to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 P.M.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 2397  
LE SUEUR-HENDERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
MS/HS MEDIA CENTER AND ZOOM MEETING  
January 9, 2023

Item 1.0     **Call to Order:** The special meeting of the Le Sueur-Henderson School Board was called to order at 7:00 PM. Board members in attendance were: Kelsey Schwartz (via Zoom), Brigid Tuck, Kelsey Schwartz, Gretchen Rehm, Steve Cross, Brian Sorenson, Jennifer Burns, and Maggie Froehlich (student Rep.)

*Members Absent:* Hathaway

Also in attendance: Superintendent Jim Wagner; Admin Assist., Juanita Flores, ABDO,

Item 2.0     **Pledge of Allegiance:** The pledge was recited.

Item 3.0     **Approval of Agenda:**

Item 3.1 Motion by Rehm, second by Burns, carried 6-0, to approve the meeting agenda.

Item 4.0     **Le Sueur – Henderson School District Recognizes:**

Item 4.1 Resolution was presented to accept grants and donations to the Le Sueur-Henderson Public School District. Said Resolution is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. Motion made by Board Member Schwartz and upon being seconded by Board Member Sorenson said resolution was duly adopted by the following roll call vote, carried 6-0.

Tuck	Yes	Burns	Yes
Schwartz	Yes	Rehm	Yes
Cross	Yes	Sorenson	Yes

Item 4.2 Students of the Month.

Item 5.0     **Reports:**

Item 5.1 Committee Reports

Item 5.1.1 Finance

Item 5.1.2 Negotiations

Item 5.1.3 MVED

Item 5.1.4 Human Resources

- Item 5.1.5 Policy
- Item 5.1.6 Facility Steering
- Item 5.1.7 Community Ed Council
- Item 5.2 Superintendent Reports
  - Item 5.2.1 Elementary Handbook

Item 6.0      **Consent Agenda:** Motion by Rehm, second by Cross, carried 6-0, to approve the following consent items:

Item 6.1 District Office Consent Items:

- Item 6.1.1 Minutes of December 5, 2022, Regular School Board Meeting
- Item 6.1.2 Minutes of December 19, 2022, Special School Board Meeting

Item 6.2 Business Office Consent Items:

Item 6.2.1 Treasurer's Report- January 2022

Item 6.2.1.1 Receipts for January 2022 in the amount of \$1,089,072.74 subject to annual audit.

Item 6.2.1.2 Bills and Claims for January 2022 in the amount of \$958,079.99 subject to annual audit.

Item 6.2.1.3 Student Activity Summary- January 2022

Item 6.2.2 Treasurer's Report- February 2022

Item 6.2.2.1 Receipts for February 2022 in the amount of \$1,012,804.15 subject to annual audit.

Item 6.2.2.2 Bills and Claims for February 2022 in the amount of \$891,136.68 subject to annual audit.

Item 6.2.2.3 Student Activity Summary- February 2022

Item 6.2.3 Treasurer's Report- March 2022

Item 6.2.3.1 Receipts for March 2022 in the amount of \$1,441,412.95 subject to annual audit.

Item 6.2.3.2 Bills and Claims for March 2022 in the amount of \$1,801,740.43 subject to annual audit.

Item 6.2.3.3 Students Activity Summary- March 2022

Item 6.2.4 Treasurer's Report- April 2022

Item 6.2.4.1 Receipts for April 2022 in the amount of \$1, 462,834.70 subject to annual audit.

Item 6.2.4.2 Bills and Claims for April 2022 in the amount of \$731,081.40 subject to annual audit.

Item 6.2.4.3 Student Activity Summary- April 2022

Item 6.2.5 Budget Analysis YTD

Item 6.3 Personnel Consent Items:

Item 6.3.1 Hirings:

Item 6.3.1.1 Night Custodian- Sarah Padgett

Item 6.3.2 Resignations:

Item 6.3.2.1 ABE Position- Teresa Schneider

Item 6.3.3 Requests:

Item 6.3.4: Retirements:

Item 7.0        **Purchases above \$5,000:**

Item 8.0        **Old Business:**

Item 8.1 Motion by Sorenson, second by Burns, carried 6-0, to approve the third of three readings for Policy 722 and 722 Form.

Item 9.0        **New Business:**

Item 9.1 Motion by Rehm, second by Tuck, carried 6-0, to approve the FY2022 Audit.

Item 10.0       **Board Member Communication/ Ideas Exchange**

Item 11.0       **Next Meeting Information**

Item 11.1 Schedule of Upcoming Meetings

Item 15.0       **Adjourn:** Motion by Cross, second by Burns, carried 6-0, to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM.

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 2397  
LE SUEUR-HENDERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
MSHS MEDIA CENTER/ ZOOM  
January 23, 2023

Item 1.0     **Call to Order:** The special meeting of the Le Sueur-Henderson Board of Education was called to order at 5:31 PM. Board members in attendance were Kelsey Schwartz, Brigid Tuck, Jennifer Burns, Matt Hathaway, Brian Sorenson

Members Absent: Steve Cross and Gretchen Rehm

Also in attendance: Superintendent Jim Wagner, Administrative Assistant, Juanita Flores; Henderson Independent;

Item 2.0     **Pledge of Allegiance:**

Item 3.0     **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Schwartz, second by Sorenson, carried 5-0, to approve the meeting agenda.

Item 4.0     **New Business**

Item 4.1 Motion by Tuck, second by Hathaway, carried 5-0 to approve 2023-24 District Calendar.

Item 4.1.1 Parent Calendar

Item 4.1.2 Staff Calendar

Item 4.2 Motion by Sorenson, second by Burns, carried 5-0, to approve up to 5 days of E-Learning if needed to be used.

Item 4.3 Discuss what school board members would like to be part of the SCSC.

Item 5.0     **Adjourn:** Motion by Burns, second by Hathaway, carried 5-0, to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 PM.



## Employment Recommendation Le Sueur - Henderson School District

<b>Position:</b> Marshall Dalziel	
<b>Recommended Candidate:</b> 8th grade baseball coach	
<b>Recommended by:</b> Eric Lewis	<b>Hire Date:</b> 12/1/2023

To be completed by administrator:

Candidate has current & appropriate certification:

X
X
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NA
NA
NA
Per Contract

Reference checks completed:

Years of experience granted:

Step Placement:

Highest degree currently held:

Lane Placement:

Credits beyond highest degree granted:

Hourly/ Salary Rate

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**Additional Information:**

- Marshall has plenty of baseball coaching experience. He has been the American Legion coach in Wayzata since 2018 and has worked and organized many aspects of that program during that time. Marshall Dalziel will do a fine job in this position.

<b>Approval of Activities Director:</b>	<i>Eric Lewis</i>	2/1/2023
	Electronic Signature	Date
<b>Approval of Superintendent:</b>		
	Electronic Signature	Date

**Share with District Office (Alisha, Jim, Juanita) & Technology (Bruce) via Google Drive**





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Electronic Signature

Date

Approval of Superintendent:

Electronic Signature

Date

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## RESIGNATION LETTER

Jack Schultz - 815 N Broad St, Mankato MN, 56001 - (507) 676-7974 - [jack.schultz@mnsu.edu](mailto:jack.schultz@mnsu.edu) - 1/11/23

Le Sueur - Henderson Middle/High School

901 Ferry Street, Le Sueur MN, 56058

(507) 665 - 5800

[cschmidt@isd2397.org](mailto:cschmidt@isd2397.org)

Dear Cynthia Schmidt,

This letter represents my official notice of resignation from my position as Physical Education/DAPE teacher with Le Sueur - Henderson Middle/High School to be made final on the 1st day of June, 2023.

It has been with great pleasure to teach alongside the educators at Le Sueur - Henderson Middle/High School, and I will always appreciate the experience, knowledge, and friendships I gained during my time here.

I hope the notice period is enough for you to find a replacement. Furthermore, please let me know of any help I can provide to prepare my successor. I am happy to share lesson plans, student profiles, and any other information that might be helpful to their transition.

Sincerely,

Jack Schultz

Signature

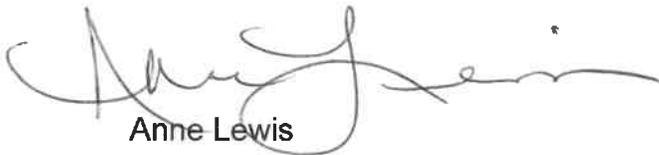
Jack Schultz

To: Eric Lewis, Athletic Director at LSH

From: Anne Lewis

Eric Lewis,

Please accept my letter of resignation as the B-Team Softball Coach for LSH. I will be taking a new role in the program as assistant coach, so this leads to my decision. Thank you for the opportunity to coach at the B-Team level. Looking forward to continuing with the program in a different capacity.



Anne Lewis

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Therese Jahr** <[tjahr@isd2397.org](mailto:tjahr@isd2397.org)>

Date: Fri, Jan 6, 2023 at 3:15 PM

Subject: Resignation

To: Christa Luna <[cluna@isd2397.org](mailto:cluna@isd2397.org)>, Darren Kern <[dkern@isd2397.org](mailto:dkern@isd2397.org)>

I just want to inform you that I have decided to resign from my 5th grade teaching position at LHS effective 2023-2024 school year. I had such a good experience from my two years of teaching there, however, after reflecting, it is best for my family that I continue to stay home with my three young kids and raise them.

Please let me know the proper steps I need to take to formally resign. I enjoyed my fellow staff members and my students and I am forever grateful for the teaching opportunity at LHS.

**Therese Jahr**

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**Therese Jahr**

5th Grade

LeSueur-Henderson Public Schools



Letter of Resignation

Cynthia Schmidt  
Principal  
901 Ferry St, Le Sueur, MN 56058

Dear Principal Schmidt,

I am writing to inform you that I am resigning my position as Band Director effective May 26th, 2023. I am resigning my position for other opportunities and the district's choices don't reflect my own interests for the future. Thank you for the opportunity to work at Le Sueur-Henderson MS/HS. I thoroughly enjoyed working with the students.

Best wishes for your future success,

Devin Dircks

To whom it may concern,

Please accept this as my official resignation from the Le Sueur Henderson Middle School softball coach.

Thank you,  
Taylor Holicky

2/2/23

Jan 31, 2023

Supt. Wagner and LSH School Board,

With truly mixed feelings, I wish to submit my intent to retire from I.S.D. 2397 effective Friday, Nov. 3, 2023. After almost 30 years in the field of education (29 at LSH), I'm ready to move to a new "station" (Robert Hastings poem). I acknowledge the timing of my retirement is not ideal for the district, but I've reached the conclusion that it's time. I want to give the district ample time to find a replacement for my position by submitting this now, and I am proposing two options to consider from the start of the 23-24 school year to Nov. 3, 2023.

1) I would be willing to serve in the capacity of mentor, substitute teacher, or help out where needed at the LSH MS/HS. I would stay on as a staff member at my 2023-24 daily rate of pay and benefits, (pending negotiations) through Friday, Nov. 3, 2023. The district would hire a replacement teacher for my social studies position who would be in the classroom from the beginning of the 2023-24 school year.

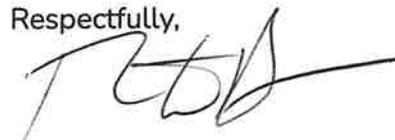
2) I would stay in the classroom through Friday, Nov. 3, 2023, and then the district would hire a long term substitute/replacement teacher for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year.

Should the district have other options they would like me to consider, please advise. For either scenario I have suggested, I ask the district to contact TRA on Nov. 3, 2023 and inform them of my retirement.

This is also my retirement notification as LSH Varsity Baseball coach effective at the conclusion of the 22-23 season. It's been a privilege to have spent 29 years as the varsity or assistant varsity coach in a program that has meant so much to me over the years. Mr. Lewis has been made aware of my decision.

I've never retired before, so I'm not sure if I'm following the proper steps in doing so. We (Jodi and I) came here in 1994 with a baby on the way, and no place to live. We luckily found a temporary rental across from the Holiday Store that we affectionately called the "blue pit", and made a life for us and our family in these two communities we now call home. If building relationships with people is the key component in education, I leave feeling pretty confident that I checked that box with thousands of students, colleagues, student teachers, and athletes that I have had the opportunity to teach, connect with, and mentor over the years.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Bruns", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rick Bruns

# **LSH Band and Choir Tour Proposal**

**Groups:** Concert Band and Concert Choir (Grades 9-12)

**Destination:** New Orleans, Louisiana

**Dates:** March 23-28, 2024

**Tour Company:** Gateway Music Festivals & Tours

**Reason for Timing:** Students miss the fewest school days during the school year, based on break around Easter, while still allowing for school exchange with local high school in New Orleans.

**Tour Cost:** \$1,888.00 per student (Four per room)

## **Current Interest:**

After providing a survey in the fall of 2022, 40 families of current members of the above groups indicated interest in participating in this tour. An additional 8 families indicated they would prefer bus transportation instead of plane, but did not indicate they would not sign up for the trip if it were by plane. If approved, all current 8-11 graders at LSH would be eligible to sign up, with the caveat that they are signed up for Concert Band or Concert Choir for the entirety of the 2023-2024 school year.

## **Performance and Educational Opportunities:**

- Public performance for both ensembles at the French Market Performance Pavilion
- A clinic and campus tour with music faculty at Tulane University
- A school exchange with a local New Orleans high school

## **Additional Activities:**

- French Quarter Walking Tour
- The National WWII Museum
- Jazz History Tour
- Swamp Tour
- Plantation Tour
- Cajun/Creole Cooking Class
- Dining at Cafe Du Monde
- Steamboat Dinner Cruise

## Initial Extended Trip Request Form

Sponsoring Group: HS Choir and Band

Advisor: Devin Dircks and Zach Kubasta

Name of Field Trip: Trip to New Orleans, Louisiana.

Purpose and Rationale of Field Trip: To provide new opportunities

to our band and choir students, including a school performance exchange, attending live jazz performances, + exploring New Orleans.

Destination: New Orleans, Louisiana.

Date of Trip: March 23-28, 2024

Rationale for Dates: Around Easter Break, Limits time missed in school, would be adjusted if a Spring Break is added to calendar.

Mode of Transportation: Flight to LA, Coach Bus in New Orleans.

Housing Accommodations: Hotel provided by Gateway Music Festivals + Tours.

Number of Chaperones per Student: At least 1 for every 10 students Cost per Student: \$1,888.00

Description of all planned fundraiser activities: Raise Right online

Fundraising, Salt Softener Fundraiser, Chocolate Bar Fundraiser, Butter Braid Fundraisers, Free Car Wash Fundraisers.

FLT Endorsement: Sarae Suding - Approval via email 1/5/2023

Principal Approval: Cynthia Sundt Date: 1/9/23

Superintendent Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_