# SPONSOR'S APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO PLAN AN OFF-CAMPUS FIELD TRIP OR ACTIVITY

PALM BAY MAGNET H	IGH SCHOOL	Date:	4/11/14
To: Mr. John Thomas	Principal		
From: Deuel Allen	Teacher		
Request is made for: Technology St	udent Association (Group/Class)		
To be given permission for the follow			
Instructional Objective: Students to	compete in STEM acti	vities and compe	tition at a national level
Number of Students Involved:	Seven		
Place or Destination: Washington D.	.C.		
Dates: From <u>6/26/14</u>	To 7/	1/2014	
Departure: Time: 6:00 a.m.	Reti	urn Time: <u>6:00</u>	p.m.
Chaperones: Deuel Allen, Becky Alle	n		(Check One)
Accommodations (If required):Gaylo It is understood that Parent Permissio Obtained prior to starting the field trig Approved:	n and Responsibility Sta	atements (permis	
FOR FIELD TRIPS OR ACTIVITIES INVOL SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL			ST HAVE AREA
Approved:(Area Supe	erintendent)	Date:	
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FOR FIELD TRIPS OR STUDENT TRAVEL OU	T OF THE STATE OF FLOR	IDA, MUST HAVE S	SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL & BE TYPED
Approved:		Date:	

Dear Mr. Thomas,

I would like to take advantage of an important and unique opportunity to support STEM education at our school. This year, from June 27<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup>, in Washington D.C., our Technology Student Association (TSA) chapter can attend a premier educational event — the 2014 national TSA conference. STEM-based competitions will be offered, including Agriculture and Biotechnology Design, Construction Renovation, Engineering Design, Geospatial Technology, and Video Game Design just to name a few. I would like our chapter to attend this conference, as this is an opportunity to make an investment in our STEM initiative.

Some of the highlights of the 2014 national TSA conference include:

TSA competitions – Students may select from 35 high school competitions, providing them with the opportunity to demonstrate the STEM skills and knowledge they have acquired during the school year. Students will return to our community having competed against the best in the nation while gaining expertise from peers nationwide.

Leadership Training - Free leadership training sessions designed for students and teachers are available.

The TSA/American Cancer Society Spirit of Service Awards program – TSA chapter members will receive grateful acknowledgement for their local-level involvement with – and fundraising for – the American Cancer Society, TSA's national service partner.

Awards and Recognition - Chapters, students, and teachers will be recognized for their many TSA achievements.

While we are in Washington, D.C., we have an opportunity to schedule a visit to Capitol Hill, giving our students the chance to witness Congress in session.

The 2014 national TSA conference has received **National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP)** approval for student contests and activities that motivate students to be creative and demonstrate excellence. In addition to promoting student participation in STEM-oriented competitive events, the conference offers invaluable teacher exposure to the latest teaching and learning best practices. My participation in this program complements our school's objectives as well as my professional development goals. More information about the conference is available on <u>TSA's conference website</u>.

Thank you, in advance, for your consideration of our TSA chapter's participation.

Deuel Allen

Palm Bay Magnet High School, TSA Advisor

The Palm Bay Magnet High School Technology Student Association, TSA, would like to attend the National TSA conference at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center National Harbor, Maryland Washington D.C. on June 27 - July 1, 2014.

Our seven students and I will fly from Melbourne Airport to Washington DC on Delta airlines. All travel arrangements are being made by Amore Travel, a Brevard County Vendor. There is at least one student traveling by car and he is traveling with a parent. We will be traveling with Southwest Middle School, with Rebecca Allen serving as our female chaperone. They have several chaperones so as not to exceed the 10 to 1 ratio.

Chaperones: Rebecca Allen and Deuel Allen

# of students 7

Dakota Church MijanRamharrack Jacob Chadwick Joshua Rao Alexander McFee Deuel Allen Ciara Conol

The conference and our accommodations are at the following:

Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center

201 Waterfront Street

National Harbor, MD 20745

Phone: 301-965-4000

Reservations: 877-382-7299

Cost Per Student

Registration \$90.00

Room \$280.00

Flight \$300.00

Food \$150.00 approximately Fundraising

Transportation Taxis Concessions

\_\_\_\_\_\_\$50.00 Volleyball Tournament

Total \$870.00 Tye Dye Day

**Donations** 

#### Field trip Clarification

- 1. Lesson leading up to field trip? Students have been preparing for this event using the TSA Guide book for the events. There are over 33 available to the students and each may compete in up to 6. The events are written in conjunction with the STEAM and Common core standards.
- 2. What the field trip will accomplish: Students will get to compete against other high school students from around the US, but they will also get to network and discus other topics with students from varying areas.
- 3. Students will follow up by bringing home their individual placing's and work to further enhance their understanding of the specific area.

# 2014 National TSA Conference Schedule at a Glance (Tentative)

#### THURSDAY, June 26, 2014

5:00PM— 11:00PM	TSA, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting	Chesapeake A
5:00PM— 11:00PM	National TSA Officers Meeting	Chesapeake B
FRIDAY, June 27, 2014		
1:00PM 8:00PM	Conference Registration	Potomac Lobby
2:00PM — 3:00PM	CRC Managers Meeting	Chesapeake A
3:00PM 4:00PM	National TSA Officer Candidates Meeting	National Harbor 1
3:00PM — 4:00PM	Mandatory Competitive Event Coordinators Meeting	Chesapeake 5-6
4:00PM — 5:00PM	Advisors Orientation Meeting	Potomac Ballroom A
5:00PM — 7:00PM	State Delegation Meetings	Various Locations
5:00PM — 8:00PM	Competitive Events Check-In (for selected events)	Various Locations
6:30PM — 8:30PM	Competitive Event Check-In (for selected events)	Various Locations
9:00PM — 9:30PM	Required sign-up for presentation times	Various Locations
7:30PM — 8:45PM	Conference Kick-Off	TBD
9:00PM - 10:00PM	National Alumni Meeting	National Harbor 8
9:00PM — 11:00PM	State Delegation Meetings	Various Locations
12:00 Midnight	Curfew	

# SATURDAY, June 28, 2014

7:00AM — 8:45AM	State Flag Representatives Meeting	Potomac Ballroom A
9:00AM — 11:00AM	Opening General Session (General Session I)	Potomac Ballroom
9:00AM — 5:00PM	Information Desk Open	Potomac Registration Desk A
11:15AM — 12:15PM	Advisor Update Meeting	Woodrow Wilson A
11:30AM — 7:00PM	Competitive Events (selected events submit 7-8 AM)	Various Locations
11:30AM — 6:00PM	Special Interest Sessions	Various Locations
12:30PM — 2:30PM	State Advisor Forum	National Harbor 3
1:00PM 2:00PM	State Presidents Meeting	National Harbor 8
3:00PM - 5:00PM	Submit Middle School Display Events	Prince George's Exhibition Hall C
4:00PM - 6:00PM	Submit High School Display Events	Prince George's Exhibition Hall C
5:00PM — 6:00PM	Alumni/ Graduating Senior Reception	National Harbor 8
5:00PM - 6:00PM	TEAMS Orientation	National Harbor 12-13
5:30PM - 6:30PM	TSA Region 1-5 Meeting	Annapolis/Baltimore Rooms
6:00PM — 11:30PM	State Delegation Meetings	Various Locations
12:00 Midnight	Curfew	

## SUNDAY, June 29, 2014

9:00AM — 11:00AM	Recognition Assembly (General Session II)	Potomac Ballroom
9:00AM - 1:00PM	TEAMS – Problem Solving Competition	Woodrow Wilson B-D
9:00AM — 5:00PM	Information Desk Open	Potomac Registration Desk A
11:00AM 6:00PM	Special Interest Sessions	Various Locations
11:00AM — 7:00PM	Competitive Events	Various Locations
11:00AM — 7:00PM	Competitive Events (selected events submit 7-8 AM)	Various Locations
11:15AM — 12:15PM	Advisor Update Meeting	Woodrow Wilson A
1:00PM - 5:00PM	TSA Meet and Greet	Potomac Lobby
2:00PM - 6:00 PM	TEAMS - NEI	National Harbor 2
8:00PM 11:30 PM	State Delegation Meetings	Various Locations
12:00 Midnight	Curfew	

## MONDAY, June 30, 2014

7:30AM — 8:00 AM	Voting Delegate Seating	Potomac Ballroom A
9:00AM — 11:00 AM	Annual Business Meeting (General Session III)	Potomac Ballroom
9:00 AM - 2:00PM	TEAMS	Baltimore 1-5
9:00AM — 5:00PM	Information Desk Open	Potomac Registration Desk A
11:00AM 6:00PM	Special Interest Sessions	Various Locations
11:15AM — 12:15PM	Advisor Update Meeting	Woodrow Wilson A
11:00AM — 7:00PM	Competitive Events (selected events submit 7-8 AM)	Various Locations
12:30PM — 3:00PM	TSA, Inc. Corporate Board Annual Meeting	National Harbor 2
1:00PM 1:45PM	CRC/Students Forum	Chesapeake D
1:45PM — 2:30PM	CRC/Advisors Forum	Chesapeake D
3:15PM — 4:00PM	TSA, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting (new board)	National Harbor 6
5:30PM - 12:00AM	Washington Nationals Baseball Game	National Park
12:00 Midnight	Curfew	

# TUESDAY, July 1, 2014

8:00AM — 11:00AM	Awards Ceremony (General Session IV)	Potomac Ballroom
12:00PM - 1:00PM	National TSA Officers Meeting (new officers)	Chesapeake E