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To Whom It May Concern,

## Edward LaRose Principal

I am writing to request permission for our film class to attend the All American High School Film Festival and compete in the Film Invitational, scheduled from October 15th to October 21st, 2024.

This year marks our program's inaugural participation in such a prestigious event. As our first year, this trip holds significant promise to challenge and inspire our students, propelling our filmmaking program forward and fostering a culture of creativity and excellence.

Mildred Murrman-Dudley Assistant Principal

The primary objective of our participation in the Film Invitational is to provide our student filmmakers with an immersive, real-world experience. We will engage in pre-production activities over a 10-week period, culminating in filming, shooting, and editing our entry in New York City from October 16th to October 18th. Our films will be screened at the AMC in Times Square on October 20th, 2024, with winners announced at the 2024 Teen Indie Awards held at the Kings Theatre in Brooklyn.

## John Weaver Assistant Principal

Attached is the itinerary for our trip, which includes transportation via Southwest Airlines, accommodation at the Sheraton Times Square Hotel, and visits to notable landmarks such as the 9/11 Memorial and Museum, Central Park, Rockefeller Center, and Times Square.

The estimated cost per student for this trip is approximately \$1,000, covering airfare, hotel accommodations, some meals, a NYC subway pass, and all-access entry to the film festival. Students will be responsible for purchasing their own meals not provided during the trip, but we will engage in fundraising activities and seek sponsors to offset expenses.

We believe this trip is an invaluable opportunity for our students to develop their filmmaking skills and gain exposure to the industry. Your support in granting permission for this endeavor would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,

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