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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to request permission for our film class to attend the Student Television Network (STN) Convention, taking place in Tampa, Florida, from February 28th to March 3rd, 2026. This convention offers our students an unparalleled opportunity to engage with industry professionals, strengthen their technical and creative skills, and compete in a variety of film and media challenges.

STN is a prestigious national event that brings together student filmmakers from across the country. The convention includes hands-on competitions, workshops, and a college fair, giving students valuable insight into the television and film industry while allowing them to connect with peers who share their passion for storytelling and media production.

This event aligns closely with our program's goals of fostering creativity, teamwork, and professional growth. By participating in STN, students can apply the skills they have developed in class to real-world situations and receive constructive feedback from professionals working in the field.

The estimated cost per student is \$200–\$300, which covers competition fees, hotel accommodations, and some meals. Students will be responsible for meals not covered, though we will conduct fundraising efforts to help reduce these expenses.

We believe this experience will be invaluable for our students, enriching their education and providing opportunities to make meaningful connections within the media industry. Your support in granting permission for this trip would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Hunter Schwefringhaus

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Film Teacher, Weeki Wachee High School

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