

Ankeny Community School District
306 SW School Street
Ankeny, Iowa 50023

Dear Dr. Pruitt & ACSD Board of Education:

On behalf of the Ankeny High School Vocal Music Department, I am requesting out-of-state travel permission for Ankeny High School Show Choirs to travel to Bloomington, Minnesota to compete in the Bloomington Gold Show Choir Competition at Bloomington Kennedy High School on Saturday, January 29, 2022. A driving scheduling philosophy of show choir events in our program is a desire and commitment to seeing as many different choirs as possible during the season. This outstanding competition, only three hours away, is a good fit for this philosophy and we look forward to the opportunity for our students to meet new friends and compete with show choirs from other areas of the Midwest.

Below are preliminary details of the trip:

- Dates: Saturday, January 29, 2022 (One day trip, no overnight stay given the only three hour distance)
- Participants: AHS Show Choirs (Visual Adrenaline, Perpetual Motion, Intensity)
 - Approximately 160 singer/dancers
 - Approximately 30 band members
 - Approximately 15 crew members
- Staff Participants: Ben Walters, Adam Brown, Nick Oswald, Emma Feldhans
- Cost: No additional to cost to students.
- Transportation: Charter busses (Vocal Music Activity Account Expense)

Having already received the approval of our activities director, I thank you for your consideration of this out-of-state travel request. If you have any questions regarding this performance opportunity please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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