

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of April 29, 2025

ITEM: **OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP: ALBANY MIDDLE SCHOOL BANDS TO CAZADERO MUSIC CAMP IN CAZADERO, CALIFORNIA**

PREPARED BY: **SARA STONE, SUPERINTENDENT**

TYPE OF ITEM: **CONSENT**

PURPOSE: All field trips and excursions that occur overnight require prior approval from the Board of Education. Requests shall be presented to the Board of Education at least one month in advance of departure unless the timing of the event and the Board meeting schedule do not provide sufficient time for prior approval or make prior approval impractical.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Students of the Albany Middle School Cobra and Concert Bands traditionally attend a multi-day [Music Camp in Cazadero, California](#). This trip aligns with California Standards and supports learning by providing students opportunities to begin to explore expression through musical performance on their respective instruments. The students will take their musical expressivity to the next level through several activities and rehearsals geared towards building musical independence

DETAILS: Students in the Albany Middle School 6th and 7th grade bands, along with ten (10) parent chaperones, will travel by bus to Cazadero Music Camp and stay in tent decks at the camp for two (2) nights. During the trip, students will participate in an action-packed three day music immersion program, including an intensive schedule of practice, rehearsal, and performance. This is a rare opportunity for music students who usually meet just a few hours per week to immerse themselves in an exciting and challenging musical repertoire. They make rapid progress both individually and as an ensemble. Students will also enjoy group activities such as campfires, a variety show, tent-deck decorating competition, and a special staff and mentor concert performed just for the campers. The weekend culminates in a formal student concert, attended by family and friends. Parents will pick up and take their children home after the closing of the camp.

Field Trip Destination: Cazadero Music Camp

Location: 5385 Cazadero Hwy, Cazadero, CA 5421

Lodging: Campers sleep on mattresses in tent decks under the stars

Dates of Trip: April 25 - 27, 2025

Number of Students: 85

Number of District-Approved Chaperones: 10

Transportation: Private chartered bus from Albany Middle School to camp. Parents will be driving students back at the end of the camp.

Meals: All meals are included in this trip.

Fees: \$165 per student includes meals, sleeping arrangements, instruction, transportation to camp and a t-shirt.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The total field trip fee per student is \$165.00. Funding will come from donations from families and the Albany Music Fund. No student will be denied the opportunity to participate.

STRATEGIC GOALS ADDRESSED:



Objective #1: *Assess and Increase Academic Success. Goal: We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.*



Objective #2: *Support the Whole Child. Goal: We will foster the social and emotional growth of all students, implement an array of strategies to increase student engagement, identify individual socio-emotional and behavioral needs, and apply collaborative appropriate interventions.*

<p>RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Overnight Field Trip: Albany Middle School Bands to Cazadero Music Camp in Cazadero, California April 25-27, 2025</p>
