

BUENA PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Buena Park, California 90620

February 12, 2019

TO: Dr. Ramon Miramontes, Superintendent

FROM: Yvette Cantu, Director, Curriculum and Instruction

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL OF BUENA PARK JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL'S 2019  
FEMINEER'S OVERNIGHTER AT THE RANCH IN LAGUNA BEACH,  
CALIFORNIA**

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Buena Park Junior High School's Femineer's Program endeavors to promote STEM preparatory coursework to encourage higher level thinking for students who will be matriculating into the engineering and science programs at the high school and, eventually, college level. As part of its fundamental goals, the Femineer's Program further promotes college participation and involvement in the sciences. The Femineer's Overnighter is designed to expose students to an outdoor science experience. This trip is a two-day/one-night program conducted by the Ocean Institute located at the Ranch in Laguna Beach. Board Policy 6153 states that overnight trips and trips to another state require advance approval of the Governing Board.

**CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Femineer's Program at Buena Park Junior High School is currently making plans for the overnighter at The Ranch in Laguna Beach scheduled for July 8 and 9, 2019. (Date may fluctuate due to availability, but will be in July or August, 2019) Students will participate in group activities including a night hike, stargazing, beach exploration, and tide pool exploration. Students will be traveling by bus. Thirty students and three staff members will participate in this trip. All students will be required to have a parent signature on form #2002A, Buena Park School District Activity Form, Parent/Guardian Consent and Medical Treatment Authorization.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Funds for The Femineer's Overnighter are being provided by the Ocean Institute Adopt-a-Class Program. All lodging, food, and activities are being included. Costs to the district will only be for the use of the bus transportation to and from The Ranch, which is estimated to not exceed a total of \$400.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

Administration requests Governing Board approval of Buena Park Junior High School's Femineer's Overnighter.

\*\*STRATEGIC PLAN: Maximize Student Achievement through Standards-based Instruction and Assessment.