



July 17, 2019

Dr. Martin W. Bates, Superintendent  
Granite School District  
2500 South State Street  
Salt Lake City, UT 84115

Dear Dr. Bates:

As a consent item at the Board of Education meeting on August 6, 2019, I would recommend that the Board of Education approve an overnight student travel application for the Hunter High School Gear Head students to attend the Hot Rodders of Tomorrow National Championships in Indianapolis, Indiana. Our current policy limits the days absent from school to three days. In order for the students to attend this event, they would be absent from school for four days.

Following careful review, I recommend that the Board of Education approve this request for the following reasons:

- In 2018 the board approved the previous team from Hunter to compete in Las Vegas and Indianapolis for the Elite 8 playoffs. Thanks to the board's support of both trips the team took 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest engine building team in the country.
- This year they are electing to go straight to Indianapolis where they expect to make Elite 8 playoffs again. In Indianapolis the team will compete in regular competition and will be present and prepared in case they do well enough to make Elite 8 status and attempt for the title of fastest engine builders.
- Each student on the team may receive a scholarship worth \$10,000.
- Once in a lifetime opportunity for students to network with industry leaders from all around the US, which may allow these students to get a foot in the door at many different companies in the industry to start their career.

If you have any further questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Welburn", is written over the printed name below.

John Welburn  
Assistant Superintendent  
School Accountability Services