

Objective:

I am looking to take 2-3 students and myself to Washington DC to see the light ceremony of the national Christmas tree to see their ornament designs on display.

Why:

Students rarely get the opportunity to have their artwork displayed at a national level and this is an amazing opportunity that was given to our students to represent the state of Illinois. These are students who are passionate about art and their skills, they worked hard on their designs to represent our school and state. Furthermore, students from this area do not always have the opportunity to leave the state or even area around Oregon. This would be a culture and life experience for the students to learn about our nation's capital and traveling. It is an experience that without this opportunity they otherwise would not have.

When: National Tree Lighting Ceremony is Nov. 30th at 5pm

Who: Myself, Ms.Rad (possibly) and 2-3 students

Voting went out to staff to choose the best designs. The top 2-3 students based on voting will be the ones chosen to go.

Cost:

Ms. Rad said her cost would be potentially covered by teacher of the year funds if she can go.

- **Flights:** for 4 people (around \$400/ person round trip)
 - Driving Option: This would cost around \$400 in gas and about \$300 in extra hotels to stop at on the way there and back. It takes 12 hours without stopping to drive to Washington DC.
- **Hotel:** \$1,000
 - \$250/night for 2 rooms for 2 nights
- **Food:** Breakfast Free at hotel
Asking parents to cover cost
- **Transportation:**
 - Car Rental- \$300
 - Parking at hotel- \$100

 - Uber- \$60-\$70 one way- total \$140
- **Activities:** National Gallery of Art, Museum Campus, and National Tree Lighting are all Free

Total Cost:

For 4 people (3 students + 1 teacher)- \$2,500 if one student is male (\$3,000)

For 3 people (2 students + 1 teacher)- \$2,100 if one student is male (\$2,600)

*all costs are approximate and rounded up from general searches

Rough estimate for food for parents: \$150

Timeline:

Tuesday Nov. 29th	Fly out of chicago to Washington DC
Wednesday Nov 30th	Visit the national gallery of art at the Smithsoian/ National Portrait Gallery 5pm- Lighting Ceremony
Thursday Dec 1st	Museum Campus Fly Home

Possible Fundraising/ Offset costs:

Sell Ornaments to the public- there was interest after the survey went out yesterday.

Our cost is \$13/ ornament and could sell for \$20/ornament

Ask Oregon Foundation for a grant