Santa Maria Joint Union High School District

HOW TO COMPLETE A TRAVEL AND CONFERENCE FORM

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REQUEST FOR PRIOR APPROVAL:

This portion should be completed and received by the Business Office with all required signatures at least two (2) weeks prior (10 business days) to date of travel <u>or</u> date payment is due, whichever is <u>sooner</u>. *Note: Hotels require pre-payment be received 2 weeks prior to your stay. This means, if your registration payment does not have a due date, and you need hotel pre-payment, you <u>MUST</u> submit your T&C request at least four (4) weeks prior to your date of departure.

- 1. Date of Request self-explanatory.
- 2. Date of conference please enter dates of the conference you will be attending, including any pre-conference sessions.
- 3. Name your name.
- 4. Department your department (i.e., Math, English, Admin, etc.).
- 5. School your school site (i.e. Righetti, Pioneer, Santa Maria, Delta, S.M. Public Library, etc.).
- 6. Destination the location of the conference (i.e. Fresno, Sacramento, etc.).
- 7. Purpose the name of the conference.
- 8. Funding Source the name of the budget paying for the travel/conference.
- 9. Estimate Expenses:
 - A. Hotel Name/Cost the name of the hotel where you will be staying and the total cost <u>including taxes</u>. ALL TRAVELERS MUST MAKE THEIR OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS unless person coordinating the trip has notified you that they have made all hotel arrangements. If you would like the hotel <u>prepaid</u> you must:
 - 1. Include the **CONFIRMATION NUMBER** for your reservation.
 - 2. Provide the **exact total amount for the room including all taxes** (available from the hotel).
 - 3. The check will be **mailed** out to the hotel (2) weeks prior to the trip.
 - 4. You must provide an itemized receipt <u>from check out</u> which indicates the deposit, room charges, taxes and a zero balance due when filing your final claim.
 - 5. **Other –** any other miscellaneous expenses you expect to incur other than those listed above you must itemize and explain.
 - B. Registration the cost of registration including any pre-conference sessions. It is <u>your responsibility</u> to complete the registration form (or print out your registration form if you register on-line), and send with your Travel and Conference request form. If you would like your registration prepaid, please include the original registration form, and indicate on the Travel and Conference form "Pre-Pay."
 - C. Transportation Mileage give the exact number of miles times rate for reimbursement amount (i.e. 392 x .625 cents per mile = \$245.00). Use MapQuest figures for mileage and <u>attach a copy</u>. Roundtrip mileage is from worksite <u>NOT</u> home.
 - D. Meals No receipts will be required. Meals will be reimbursed at the Per Diem rate of \$71.00 per day (or pro-rated as follows) for all conferences and/or required meetings held inside or outside of the district boundaries.

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Breakfast	\$18.00
Lunch	\$19.00
Dinner	<u>\$34.00</u>
Total:	\$71.00 PER DAY

E. **Substitute** – cost of a substitute is \$150/day with benefits.

- 10. Total estimated expenses.
- 11. Approval of Estimated Expenses Dept. Chair and Principal must sign.
- 12. Categorical Accountability Fill in as appropriate for funding source.

Hotel checks are no longer available for pickup. They will be mailed out prior to your trip unless other arrangements are made with the hotel.

If you would like registration or hotel prepaid you must indicate on the travel/conference form. If the form does not indicate to be prepaid – no check will be issued.

REIMBURSEMENT SECTION: ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES:

This portion MUST be completed upon returning (NOT BEFORE THE CONFERENCE) from the conference, even if NO reimbursement is due.

- 1. **Lodging** cost of room plus tax only. Must have an original itemized receipt from checkout which indicates a **zero** balance.
- 2. **Meals** enter <u>actual amount</u> for all meals <u>not included as part of conference</u>, **AND** <u>not including expenses incurred by guest</u>.
- 3. **Registration/Conference Fee** cost of registration including any pre-conference sessions (a copy of the registration must be attached).
- Mileage give the exact number of miles times rate for reimbursement amount (i.e., 392 miles x .625 cents per mile = \$245.00). Use a MapQuest for figures and <u>attach a copy</u>. Roundtrip is from worksite <u>NOT</u> home.
- 5. Bus/Taxi, etc. enter cost of bus/taxi/shuttles. Receipt required.
- 6. **Other** cost for incidentals such as parking. Receipt required.
- 7. Claimant's signature your signature.
- 8. Total Claim Total of all expenses.
- 9. Approval for Payment of Final Expenses Dept. Chair and Principal must sign.

The District's Board Policy and Administrative Regulation covering travel expenses and related reimbursements is #3350 and can be found on the District's website.

The District does not pay for extra miles, extra meals, meals included in the registration, or extra days. (i.e. if you go to the conference early or stay after). The District may limit number of vehicles going to a conference – carpooling is more cost effective. Sharing rooms is encouraged to stretch our funds (no coed allowed). If spouses attend the District will only pay ½ the room if you could have shared with someone else.