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Dear parents and students of the Red Oak HS Band:

Enclosed is information regarding our Spring Trip this year to Corpus Christi, Texas!! The trip dates are Thursday, April 7th through Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. Students will miss only two days of school. The total cost per student for this trip will be **ONLY \$325**, with chaperones being able to go for **\$275**. Please read the following information carefully, and then return the attached Travel Agreement with the required deposit.

**Travel Agreement Form** – Parents please fill this form out and return. Initial at each item as indicated to show your reading, understanding, and accepting of each statement.

**Deposit/Payment** – The initial deposit/first payment of \$100 is due by Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. You must return the Travel Agreement with the initial deposit to be placed on the trip list. (If you choose, you may pay the full amount at this time instead of utilizing the payment schedule). Checks will be made to “Red Oak Band”

**Transportation** – So that we could make this trip affordable for (hopefully) everybody, we will be utilizing the two new ROISD activity buses instead of charters (air conditioning, DVD screens, etc.) Every student who goes on the trip must ride together with the band on the buses. We will also use the district’s large box truck for most of our instruments and luggage.

**Trip Accounts** – The band boosters will keep a detailed list of accumulated trip funds for each student. You will be able to log onto Charms at <https://www.charmsoffice.com/charms/parents.asp> and keep track of payments and fundraising.

**Fundraising** – Up to this point, we have done Rangers game concessions, sold cookie dough, had a car wash/bake sale, and sold fruit and meat. The final fundraiser available to earn trip funds will be a “Bowl-a-Thon” (students get \$ pledges per point on their scores) on Friday, January 21. (details to follow)

**Trip Chaperones** – See the separate information page for details on how to sign up for the trip as a chaperone.

**Everyone go!!!** We sincerely want everyone in the Red Oak band to be able to go on this trip! If cost is a factor, please see Mr. Thomas and let’s chat. We can most probably come up with some options to help you be able to go. Also...if you are in a position to help someone else go, please feel free to make a “financial assistance” donation (amount is up to you) and I will make sure it helps someone out. Let’s ALL go and have a great time!

## Payment schedule –

Wednesday, January 26, 2011	Deposit/Payment 1	\$100
Wednesday, February 23, 2011	Payment 2	\$100
Wednesday, March 23, 2011	Final payment	\$125

Looking forward to a great trip!!!

Richard Thomas and Phillip Cadenhead