

KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AGENDA STATEMENT

No. 8 f

MEETING OF March 12, 2025

ITEM TITLE:

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

REVIEWED BY:

Motion to approve out of state travel for KHS Track  
& Field

Superintendent  
 Kayhi administration

SUBMITTED BY: Kelly Smith, KHS Activities Director, 907 225-9815

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL: Michael Robbins, Superintendent, 907 247-2109

CONTACT PERSON/TELEPHONE: Alex Pennino, KHS Track & Field Coach, 907 225 2800

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The School Board's approval is sought for the Ketchikan High School Track & Field team to travel to Oregon in April 2025

ISSUE:

Per Board Policy 6153, all school-sponsored trips to out-of-state locations require approval of the School Board.

BACKGROUND:

Ketchikan High School track and field is planning our 11th annual "Track Road Trip" to the lower 48. This year we will be going to Oregon to compete in two meets, one at St. Helen's and one at Rockaway Beach. We have decided to move this trip up a week so we do not interfere with the Music Fest activities and can include more of our athletes. In the past, we have competed in 12 different communities in the Pacific Northwest and against 100's of other High Schools. These trips have been a tremendous opportunity for team building, exposure for our athletes, and a recruiting tool for our Track and Field program.

RECOMMENDATION:

School administration recommends approval.

ATTACHMENTS:

- ASAA approved Out of State Travel Form
- Letter to the Board

FISCAL NOTE:

Funds for the trip will come 100% from raised funds.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION (ONLY if not approved as part of the Consent Calendar):**

**"I move that the Board of Education approve the out-of-state travel request for the KHS Track & Field team to travel to meets in Oregon in April 2025."**

# OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL REQUEST

Out-of-state travel for interscholastic competition during the school year must be approved by the Executive Director. Use this form to request approval.

**School**

Ketchikan H.S.

**Date of request**

02, 19, 25

**Team, group or organization requesting travel**

Track + Field

**Out-of-state destination**

Oregon via Sea-Tac

**Departure date**

04, 02, 25

**Return date**

04, 06, 25

**Describe the out-of-state competition**

Event Title: Track Meets (various locations)

Type of Competition (invitational, tournament, etc.):

Dual meet @ ST HELENS (ORE)  
Invitational @ Rockaway Beach (ORE)

**School administrator's permission**

The above named school team/organization has my permission to travel for out-of-state competition.

School Administrator (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

School Administrator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Executive Director's decision**

APPROVED     DISAPPROVED

**Executive Director's signature**

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**Comments**

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**ALASKA SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION**

Scan and email this form to office@asaa.org or fax to 907-561-0720

To our appreciated School Board Members.

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We generally bring about 21-24 athletes and 3 Coaches

This year our Trip will be from the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April to the 5<sup>th</sup> of April.

Some of the other benefits of this trip:

**Cost:** Believe it or not it's cheaper to travel South for an out of Region trip than it is in our own State. In the past Track and Field was the only sport at Kayhi that did not annually have an opportunity to travel out of Region. We are able to bring more athletes and compete in more events than participating in an invitational in Anchorage. We are also able to group house for many of these events- this is unavailable in Anchorage.

**Weather:** Options in Alaska to host an early season meet due to the weather can be challenging.

These trips are fundraised by our team members and people in the community that support Ketchikan High School activities and Track and Field.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this and giving some of our very best students and athletes a chance to represent Ketchikan outside of the state.

Sincerely, Alex Pennino- Ketchikan Track and Field.