

## XIII. F. Approve Overnight Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCU) Field Trip

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### Quick Summary / Abstract

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Trustees to approve the overnight and out-of-state field trip for the Albany High School Young Men and Women of Color Mentoring and Advisory Program College/University Tour in Norfolk, VA; Hampton, VA; and Richmond, VA from April 5 - April 10, 2026.

### Contact Person

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### Details

This unique mentoring program encourages Albany High School young men and women of color to develop social, personal, and academic success skills. Students gather in a safe, supportive, and empowering environment to voice their needs and challenges. The students engage in enriching discussions on social justice, education, leadership, mental well-being, and self-awareness. This mentoring program is transforming the lives of young men and women of color to make a significant global impact in society. This trip will give our students the experience of researching their post-secondary educational opportunities at college campuses, career pathways, and prepare them for the transition to higher education.

During the tour, the group will engage in the following activities:

- Campus tours at Hampton University, Norfolk State University, Virginia Union University, and Virginia State University
- Presentations from community and business leaders
- Presentations from Student Ambassadors, the college recruitment and outreach team, and University speakers
- Virginia Museum of History and Culture
- Virginia Civil Rights Memorial
- Black Heritage Trail
- Virginia Beach
- Granby Street in Norfolk, VA, to see portraits of famous locals on the wall

The group will travel by plane late evening from San Francisco, CA, to Norfolk, VA Airport, Virginia, on April 5, 2026, and arrive in Norfolk, Virginia, on April 6 mid-afternoon. The group will spend 2 nights at Embassy Suites by Hilton Convention Center, 1700 Coliseum Drive, Hampton, VA. This will be followed by 1 night at Embassy Suites located at 2425 Emerywood Pkwy, Richmond, VA. The group will depart from Richmond, VA airport late evening on April 9, 2026, and arrive in San Francisco, CA early morning on April 10th.

Dates: 4/5/26 - 4/10/26

Location: HBCUs in Norfolk VA, Richmond VA, and Hampton VA

Transportation: United Airlines flight, and ground transportation to/from airports, around town while on

tour through Bay Area Charters and Charter UP

Lodging: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Norfolk Airport 1157 North Military Highway Norfolk, VA

Number of students: 15

Chaperone/Student Ratio: 1:5

### **Financial Information**

The total cost is \$42,845, fully funded by Albany Unified. All students in the program are able to attend at no cost.

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