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## JOHN R. BEATTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**"BLAZING A TRAIL OF EXCELLENCE!"**

Dear 5<sup>th</sup> Grade GATE Parents,

This year we have been exploring the concept of change. As part of our study, we are planning a 5<sup>th</sup> grade GATE field trip to Disney's California Adventure theme park. The purpose of our trip is to attend Disney's Animation Academy to learn how Walt Disney influenced and changed the world of animation.

Here are the details of our trip:

- The trip is on **Saturday, March 13, 2010.**
- The trip will cost **\$140** and covers the cost of an admission ticket (hopper pass), bus transportation, and food (lunch, dinner & snacks).
- Beatty teachers will be chaperones, with a ratio of 1 teacher for every 5 students.
- If students want to purchase souvenirs, they should bring additional money.
- The bus will leave Beatty EARLY (4:00 am) and come back late (leaving Disneyland after the fireworks).
- Students will call home when we get back to Las Vegas so you can come meet us at school when the bus arrives.

Here is a description of the Animation Magic Tour:

Animation Magic is a hands-on, discovery program at Disney's California Adventure Park led and taught by a Disney facilitator. Participating in the three hour program will allow the fifth grade GATE students the opportunity to discover and learn about the history, creativity and innovation of the animation process and how the vision of Walt Disney influenced the history of animation. During an animation session, students will create a kineograph, plan and design their own storyboard, and explore their creativity. They will also discuss, observe, and participate in character development at Disney's Animation Academy and see how technology has influenced animation.

If you would like your 5<sup>th</sup> grade GATE student to participate in this exciting opportunity, please send in a deposit of \$20 and the attached permission slip and medical information by Wednesday, January 20. The entire trip can be paid for at one time or you can use a payment plan. **All checks should be made payable to Beatty Elementary School.** If funding is an issue, please let me know. There is a limited amount of scholarship money available.

<u>Option #1- Weekly Payments</u>	<u>Option #2 - Monthly Payments</u>	<u>Option #3 – One Payment</u>
January 20 - \$20	January 20 - \$20	January 20 - \$140
January 27- \$20	February 3- \$50	
February 3- \$20	February 17- \$50	
February 10- \$20	March 3 - \$20	
February 17- \$20		
February 24- \$20		
March 3- \$20		

If you need additional information or have questions about our Animation Magic field trip, please call or email me at [kpowell@interact.ccsd.net](mailto:kpowell@interact.ccsd.net).

Sincerely,

Karen Powell  
Gifted and Talented Education Specialist