

SUBJECT: FIELD TRIPS

The Board of Education recognizes that field trips are an educationally sound and important ingredient in the instructional program of the schools.

For purposes of this policy, a field trip shall be defined as any journey by a group of students away from the school premises, under the supervision of a teacher, which is an integral part of an approved course of study and conducted for the purpose of affording a first-hand educational experience not available in the classroom.

Field trips are a part of the curriculum of the schools, and student conduct and attendance on field trips are governed by the same rules that govern regular classroom activities. The School System shall obtain written parental/guardian permission for students going on school-sponsored field trips.

The Superintendent shall prepare procedures for the operation of a field trip activity. Field trip support shall be determined annually by the Board during its budget deliberations. Regardless of the fiscal support for field trips, the rules of the School District for approval and conduct of such trips shall apply.

All overnight field trips need Board approval well in advance. (Refer also to administrative regulations and accompanying forms for Field Trip Policy.)

The Superintendent/designee may cancel previously approved field trips due to extenuating circumstances.

Extracurricular Trips

The Board of Education recognizes that trips which provide students with opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities outside the District are an important ingredient in the extracurricular program of the schools.

For purposes of this policy, a trip shall be defined as any journey by a group of students away from the school premises, under the supervision of a teacher or coach, which is an integral part of an approved extracurricular group and for the purpose of affording a first-hand educational experience not available within the District.

The School System shall obtain written permission for students going on school sponsored extracurricular trips. Students participating in such trips are governed by the rules of the school.

The Superintendent shall prepare procedures for the operation of trip activities. Trip support shall be determined annually by the Board during its budget deliberations. Regardless of the fiscal support for trips, the rules of the School District for approval and conduct of such trips shall apply.

NOTE: Refer also to Policies #3410 -- Code of Conduct on School Property
#5720 -- Transportation of Students
District Code of Conduct on School Property

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