

FIELD TRIPS, EXCURSIONS, OVERNIGHT STAYS, AND OUTDOOR EDUCATION

The board recognizes that field trips when used as a device for teaching and learning integral to the curriculum are an educationally sound and important ingredient in the instructional program of the schools. Such trips can supplement and enrich classroom procedures by providing learning experiences in an environment beyond the classroom.

Prior Board Approval Required:

1. Field trips which take students out of the state or are planned to keep students out of the district overnight must be approved in advance by the board.
2. To gain board approval for overnight or out of the state stays between board meetings, the principal shall contact the superintendent's office for administrative approval. The superintendent will contact each board member prior to issuing approval.
3. Outdoor education resident school plans shall be presented to the board for annual approval.
4. No staff member may solicit students for any privately arranged field trip or excursion without board permission.

The superintendent has the authority to approve all other field trips.

The superintendent shall develop procedures for the operation of a field trip or an outdoor education activity which shall insure that the safety of the student shall be protected and that parent permission is obtained before the student leaves the school. Each field trip must be integrated with the curriculum and coordinated with classroom activities which enhance its usefulness. Private vehicles may be used to transport students if approval is obtained in advance from the principal.

Cross References:	Board Policy 6625 Board Policy 3520,	Private Vehicle Transportation Student Fees, Fines, Charges
Legal References:	RCW 28A.330.100(5) RCW 67.20.020 WAC 180-87-090	Additional powers of board Parks, <u>bathing beaches, public camps</u> — Contracts for cooperation Improper remunerative conduct