

**Instruction**

**Field Trips**

Field trips are permissible when the experiences are an integral part of the school curriculum and/or contribute to the District's educational goals. Student trips are permitted which have value in meeting educational objectives, or which are necessary to the fulfillment of obligations to the interscholastic athletic or other interscholastic activity program, and which do not seriously interfere with the educational routine of students who must remain in school.

All field trips must have the Superintendent's or designee's prior approval, except that field trips beyond a 200-mile radius of the school or extending overnight must have the prior approval of the Board. The following factors are analyzed when determining whether to approve a field trip: educational value, student safety, parent concerns, heightened security alerts, and liability concerns. On all field trips, a bus fee set by the Superintendent or designee may be charged to help defray the transportation costs.

Parents/guardians of students: (1) shall be given the opportunity to consent to their child's participation in any field trip, and (2) are responsible for all entrance fees, food, lodging, or other costs. All non-participating students shall be provided an alternative experience. Any field trip may be cancelled without notice due to danger to students, staff, or chaperones. Monies deposited may be forfeited.

School transportation vehicles, if available, may be furnished for all trips sponsored within the spirit of the above statement.

On all school-sponsored trips involving pupils, provision will be made for proper supervision by school employees. Parents are permitted to assist in such supervision.

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