

FIELD TRIPS, EXCURSIONS, AND OUTDOOR EDUCATION

The Eastmont School 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 activities by providing learning experiences in an environment beyond the classroom.

Field trips that take students out of the state or keep students out of the District overnight must be approved in advance by the Board. If the field trip occurs prior to the next scheduled Board meeting, the superintendent can provide initial approval for the trip with formal approval by the Board at their next meeting. Outdoor education resident school plans will be presented to the Board for annual approval. The superintendent/designee has the authority to approve all other field trips.

The superintendent/designee will develop procedures for the operation of a field trip or an outdoor education activity which will ensure that the safety of the student is 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 that enhance its usefulness. Private vehicles may be used to transport students if approval is obtained in advance from the principal.

No staff member may recruit students for any privately arranged field trip or excursion without board permission.

Cross References:

Board Policy 3520
Board Policy 6625

Student Fees, Fines, or Charges
Private Vehicle Transportation

Legal References:

RCW 28A.330.100 (5)
RCW 67.20.020
WAC 181-87-090

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