



# FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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TO: Principals, Directors, Head Teachers  
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 Risk & Safety Coordinator & Business Services  
 DATE: 14 February 2022  
 SUBJECT: Water, Snow & Ice Activities



All field trips or activities that include water must have a safety plan in place and district administration approval prior to the event. This includes activities that occur at, on, near or in swimming pools, lakes and rivers, dunk tanks, etc., whether it is water or ice. Please allow at least one week for review and approval.

**Examples of activities that would be classified as water activities requiring review include:**

- Swimming, water rescue training, water sampling, canoeing/kayaking, ice crossing, ice fishing
- Any water activities occurring while traveling for activities or athletics

**This list is only a sample. Please plan for all water activities.**

The safety plan may need to include the following in addition to basic safety measures:

- Lifeguard - Proof of certificate (at least one certified instructor per trip)
- Red Cross / CPR Certificate for all instructors
- Vessels approved by the Coast Guard or other responsible government agency for the type of water travel being considered and Commercial License and Boating Certificate from the Coast Guard

Safety plans and questions can be submitted to the Risk Management Liaison at [joseph.tyson@k12northstar.org](mailto:joseph.tyson@k12northstar.org) or x11303.