Notus School District No. 135 -

INSTRUCTION

Field Trips, Excursions 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. The Board also recognizes that field trips may result in lost learning opportunities in missed classes. Therefore, the Board endorses the use of field trips when the educational objectives achieved by the trip clearly outweigh any lost in-class learning opportunities.

Field trips which take the students out of state or require an overnight stay shall be considered Extended Field Trips and require prior Board authorization. Building principals have the authority to approve all other field trips.

Building principals shall develop procedures for the operation of a general field trip. Extended Field Trips shall follow the procedure outlined in Board Policy 2550P2. Each field trip must be integrated with the curriculum and coordinated with classroom activities that enhance its usefulness.

2550P1 Extended Field Trip Procedures 2550P2 General Field Trip Guidance 2550F1 Extended Field Trip Request Form 2550F2 Extended Field Trip Liability Form 2550F3 General Field Trip Request 2550F4 General Field Trip Permission Form

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