SUBJECT: FIELD TRIPS

The Board recognizes the value of field trips in enhancing the instructional and co-curricular programs. For purpose of this policy, a field trip shall be defined as a journey away from the school premises, under the supervision of an approved supervisor. Field trips may be curricular or extra curricular in nature. A curricular field trip is an integral part of an approved course of study and is conducted under the supervision of the classroom teacher. An extra curricular field trip supports the goals or purpose of the extra curricular activity and is conducted under the supervision of a teacher, coach, advisor and/or other approved chaperone.

The District Code of Conduct applies to all participants at all times during a trip. Participation by students or adult supervisors may be terminated for a violation of the Code of Conduct during the trip. All expenses arising out of such an infraction, including travel expenses back to school and damage to property, are the responsibility of the student's parents, or in the case of an adult supervisor, that individual.

The Superintendent or designee reserves the right to cancel a field trip, particularly if security and safety is in doubt.

The Board delegates the responsibility of establishing specific regulations and procedures governing all authorized field trips to the Superintendent. The regulations will apply to all District-sponsored trips, whether part of the instructional or co-curricular program.

Trips with students, other than those addressed in the above paragraphs, are unauthorized. Neither the Board nor District employees (acting in the scope of their employment) can accept responsibility for planning, organizing, publicizing, funding, supervising, or conducting such trips. Further, the Board assumes no liability for such trips taken by students or employees of the School District.

Employees of the District who may be involved on their own outside the scope of their employment may not use school time or resources for any activity related to unauthorized trips.

NOTE: Refer also to Policies #3410 -- Code of Conduct
#5730 -- Transportation of Students
#7310 -- School Conduct and Discipline
District Code of Conduct on School Property

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