

## FIELD TRIPS (Single Day)

NEAN/NSBA Code: IIC RSU #78

Field trips designed to stimulate student interest and inquiry and provide opportunities for social growth and development are considered appropriate extensions of the classroom. To the extent that they provide the most effective means for accomplishing general curriculum objectives of the schools, field trips may be authorized by the building principal, subject to requirements established by the Board and/or the Superintendent.

To be educationally beneficial, a field trip requires thoughtful selection, careful planning with the class and opportunities for pupils to assimilate the experience during and at the conclusion of the trip. To this end, teachers and the principal will be expected to consider the following factors in selection of field trips:

- Value of the activity to the particular class group(s);
- Relationship of the field trip activity to a particular aspect of classroom instruction;
- Suitability of the activity and distance traveled in terms of the age level;
- Mode and availability of transportation; and,
- Cost.

Additionally, the Board requires that:

- Parents must provide written permission for field trips.
- All trips must be within budgetary allotments for such purpose.
- Private transportation provided by teachers or parents should be avoided. School bus transportation is to be used when arrangements can be made to do so without disrupting regular school bus schedules.
- Supervision will be provided to maintain discipline on the trip.
- All trips meet handicapped accessibility guidelines, if necessary to ensure inclusion of all children.

Cross Reference: EEAA: Overnight or Out-of-State Trips  
EEAA-R: Request for Overnight on Out-of-State Travel  
EEAB: Student Transportation in a Private Vehicle  
IHBAK: Life-Sustaining Emergency Care  
IICA: Foreign Travel School Sponsored  
IICAR: Request for Foreign Travel  
IICAA: Travel Experience Non School Sponsored  
IJOCA: School Chaperones  
JK: Student Discipline  
JLCD-E: Medical Administration on School Field Trips  
JLCE: First Aid and Emergency Medical Care

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