

School District #62 (Sooke)

FIELD TRIPS	No.: C-329
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SCHOOL BOARD POLICY

The Board recognizes that curricular and extra-curricular field trips enrich the academic, physical and social development of District students. When field trips are being considered they will be educationally valuable and properly planned. Ultimately, the Board wishes to ensure that all necessary safety precautions are included in the planning effort and the highest standard of care is applied during the activity.

The Board also acknowledges the potential for accidental injury during curricular and extra-curricular field trips. The type of field trip, its location and level of participation will be matched to the qualifications and abilities of the leaders and students, supervisors and/or adjunct instructors so as to minimize the potential for injury. The health, safety and security of students and supervisors on field trips will take the highest priority.

Parents will be informed of the known risks of the activity being considered by a school-sponsored trip so that they can make informed decisions regarding their child’s participation.

The Board believes that field trips should be planned with equity and inclusion for students as a primary consideration. All students should be afforded the opportunity to participate in field trips. Students with diverse abilities should be provided the support they need to participate fully.

Every effort must be made to ensure all students have the opportunity to access school organized field trips.

If the Superintendent of Schools deems the trip unsafe, they can recall students back at any time.