

2340 FIELD TRIPS

I. Introduction

Field trips have the potential to enhance student learning by providing educational experiences not available in the classroom. By extending the classroom through field trips, people, resources and sites which would not otherwise be available can be integrated into the school program. Field trips also enhance the co-curricular program of the school.

II. General Requirements

- A. ~~All~~ Field trips must be approved in advance by the Principal and reported to the Superintendent. **Overnight field trips must also be approved in advance by the school board.** Students will have equitable opportunities to go on field trips.
- B. The length of time traveling, as compared to the actual time pupils spent at the site, will be evaluated before a field trip is approved.
- C. The Principal will inform parents in advance of the objectives of the trip, date of departure and return, lunch provisions and other relevant details. Written parental permission is required for participation in field trip activities.
- D. Students may be charged for field trips, including the cost of transportation, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:36-21. School support groups, such as the PTA or booster clubs may raise funds, in accord with district policy and with Principal approval, to defray the cost of field trips. No student will be deprived of participation in a field trip due to financial hardship.
- E. Field trips taken during school time will be reported in the Principal's monthly report to the District.
- F. Parents may elect to transport a student to or from a field trip, in lieu of district-provided transportation, in accord with Superintendent Regulations.
- G. The Superintendent will adopt regulations for the conduct of field trips.

REFERENCE: N.J.S.A.I SA:53-2, 18A:36-21

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Formerly policy 236 - Field Trips which was

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