

**Field Trips**

The Bethany Board of Education recognizes that field trips are an educationally sound part of the approved curriculum of the District. Field trips provide students with first-hand experiences and are an effective and worthwhile means of learning. The Board supports field trips of significant educational value related to the total school curriculum under the current fiscal constraints and administrative regulations established by the Superintendent.

For purposes of this policy, a field trip is defined as any journey by a group of students away from the school premises, under the supervision of a certified teacher, which is an integral part of an approved course of study, co-curricular activity or class trip and conducted for the purpose of affording a first-hand educational experience not available in the classroom or school.

The value of field trips is directly related to the orientation and preparation of the students by their teacher(s) prior to the trip and the care with which the teacher(s) uses follow-up activities upon the student's return.

The Board of Education will **not** be responsible for any field trip that is not approved in accordance with the procedures set forth in this policy and accompanying regulations.

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