

LAGUNA BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL-SPONSORED TRIPS

BP 6153

Instruction

The Governing Board recognizes that field trips supplement and enrich the classroom learning experience, lead to increased student achievement, and foster student engagement. The Board encourages field trips to reinforce and increase learning opportunities and to enhance district programs.

Field trips shall be conducted in connection with the district's course of study or school-related social, educational, cultural, athletic, school band, or other extracurricular or co-curricular activities.

Requests for field trips involving out-of-state, or overnight travel shall be submitted to the Superintendent or designee. The Superintendent or designee shall review the request and make a recommendation to the Board as to whether the request should be approved by the Board. All other field trips shall be approved in advance by the principal.

The principal shall establish a process for approving a staff member's request to conduct a field trip. When planning trips, staff shall consider student safety, objectives of instruction, the most effective use of instructional time, the distance from school, district and student expense, and transportation and supervision requirements. Principals may exclude from the trip any student whose presence on the trip would pose a safety or disciplinary risk.

No field trip shall be authorized if any student would be excluded from participation because of a lack of sufficient funds. The Superintendent or designee may coordinate with community groups to supply funds for students in need.

No expenses of pupils participating in a field trip or excursion to any other state, the District of Columbia or a foreign country authorized by this policy shall be paid with District funds except incidental expenses for the use of District equipment or transportation.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

8760 Authorization of outdoor science and conservation programs

32040-32044 First aid equipment: field trips

35330 Excursions and field trips

35331 Provision for medical or hospital service for pupils (on field trips)

35332 Transportation by chartered airline

35350 Transportation of students

44808 Liability when pupils not on school property

48908 Duties of pupils; authority of teachers

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

17550-17550.9 Sellers of travel

17552-17556.5 Educational travel organizations

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