

EXTENDED FIELD TRIP RULES OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT

Travel Within and Outside of Canada

1. The use of alcoholic beverages, marijuana, or chemical or controlled substances is prohibited;
2. Possession or carrying of knives, firearms, or any other weapon is prohibited;
3. Hitchhiking and the rental or driving of motorized vehicles (for example, motorbikes or snowmobiles) is prohibited;
4. No recreational swimming is allowed as part of the field trip experience unless there are appropriate trained staff, certified in life-saving, on duty and additional staff available to assist in supervision of the activity;
5. Students will be allowed to use recreational watercraft (i.e. Rowboats, canoes, jet skis, etc.) only when there is confirmation that the owner/operator of the watercraft carries the required insurance to protect WQSB staff and students. For all other circumstances, students will not be permitted to use these recreational watercrafts. Group charters of commercial watercraft may be permitted provided that the owner/operator of the watercraft carries the required insurance to protect WQSB's staff and students;
6. Abusive language and/or conduct endangering the health and safety of participants and others is prohibited (for example, swearing and fighting are not allowed);
7. Visitors or group members of the opposite sex are not permitted into each other's rooms;
8. Any games or activities which involve the exchange of money or other items of value are prohibited (for example, gambling is prohibited);
9. Smoking is not allowed;
10. In the interests of maintaining good human relations among members of the group and between our school district, students, parents and our hosts, respect is to be shown for everyone with whom we come in contact. Good manners are expected from everyone;
11. All scheduled activities in the program are obligatory;
 - a. Students are to be punctual;
 - b. A student who is ill or injured must immediately inform his or her chaperone;
 - c. Students are expected to pay careful attention to their health needs, this includes getting enough sleep, keeping clean, and wearing dry clothing;
12. To ensure a reasonable state of alertness for the following day's activities, evening curfew hours will be set by the staff member in charge and strictly observed by all students, including those 18 years of age and older;
13. A "buddy system" will be employed throughout the trip. Participants are expected to know where their "buddies" are at all times. No student shall leave the group or group's headquarters at any time during the trip without an authorized chaperone;
14. Students who wish to visit with relatives and/or friends along the way shall meet them where the student field trip group is assembled. Written parent/legal guardian permission will be required, in advance of the trip departure, if a student is allowed to leave the group. At no time shall the student leave the group without an authorized chaperone.
15. The parent/guardian of any student carrying prescribed medication will be required to inform the staff member in charge, in writing in advance of the trip, of the type of medication, instruction for its use, and adverse side effects that could be experienced by the student using the medication;
16. All participants, including those currently enrolled students who are 18 years of age or older, who have elected to join a school sponsored field trip shall adhere to the preceding rules and any other rules introduced out of necessity during the course of the trip.
17. Whenever a student is in doubt about what to do, he/she is expected to see advice from the staff member in charge or from a chaperone.
18. If there are serious infractions of rules of conduct or violations of the law, a student may be sent home at the parent/guardian's expense. This decision will be made after the staff member in charge has consulted with the student, the principal, and the student's parent/guardian. (At all times, on international field trips, participants are to carry a copy of their passports, any necessary medical information, and the emergency phone numbers that parents want called).

Signature of Student: _____ Date: _____

I agree to the above rules and regulations which will govern my son's/daughter's conduct while on this extended field trip program, as well as other decisions on appropriate behavior which may be made by the adult(s) in charge of this program.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Date: _____