

Curriculum & Instruction 8740 Field Trips and Outdoor Education	Administrative Application	
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	References:	The Education Act, 1995, Sec. 85, 179 Policy 12 – Role of the Director
	Status:	Operational

Preamble

The Regina Catholic School Division (RCSD) recognizes the value of educational experiences outside of the school and supports school sponsored out of school excursions in the form of field trips, Indigenous land-based experiences, and outdoor education learning opportunities.

Definitions

- Field Trip**
A field trip, for the purpose of this application, is any excursion taken by a classroom or group of classrooms to a location other than the school for any broad educational purpose.
- Outdoor Education**
Outdoor Education, for the purpose of this application, refers to a unit or portion of a unit of study directly related to curriculum delivered at a location other than the school.
- School Sponsored**
This refers to all field trips and outdoor education experiences directly related to curricular or classroom-based objectives, carried out under the direct supervision of a teacher.
- Indigenous Land-based Education**
An Indigenized and environmentally focused approach to education by first recognizing the deep, physical, mental, and spiritual connection to the land that is a part of Indigenous worldview.

Application

- School sponsored educational field trips, Indigenous land-based experiences, or outdoor education programs within city limits are subject to administrative applications pursuant to this application and the approval of the principal.
- School sponsored educational field trips, Indigenous land-based experiences, or outdoor education programs outside city limits are subject to administrative applications pursuant to this application and the approval of the designated superintendent.

3. School sponsored educational field trips, Indigenous land-based experiences, and outdoor education programs shall:
 - a. Involve adequate levels of supervision based on the nature of activity involved.
 - b. Involve qualified personnel based on the specific nature of activity involved.
 - c. Have stated, realizable educational objectives.
4. Principals shall obtain informed consent from parents for field trips, Indigenous land-based experiences, and outdoor education activities.
5. RCSD assumes no relationship or responsibility for privately planned recreational trips coordinated and/or led by employees of the school division that may involve students, parents, school division staff and/or members of the public.
6. The principal, when aware of activities of the nature described in regulation #5, shall inform parents of this application.