

FIELD TRIPS

The Board of Education approves the concept of planned educational field trips for students in the Newtown schools.

When subsidy for educational field trips is not provided in the school budget, such an educational activity may be planned by staff members with students and conducted with participating students sharing in the cost of the trip. If a student is unable to pay his/her share of the trip costs, the building administrator may use available resources, including funds from local organizations, to help defray expenses.

No educational field trip shall take place during the school year without approval by the building administrator.

It is expected that all educational field trips shall use common carriers or school buses unless otherwise authorized by the principal.

In order to minimize the cost to students and their families of multi-day field trips that involve specific classes or groups of students, the teaching staff should select locations closest to Connecticut that meet the approved educational objectives of the planned activities.

This policy statement is not applicable to scheduled bus trips for students who participate in or wish to attend interscholastic athletic events, special music performances, or similar activities.

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