

Field Trips – Parent Chaperone Guidelines

Thank you for volunteering to help assist students on the classroom field trip. Additional adult support gives the teacher an opportunity to monitor activities as well as insure that all possible measures are taken to provide the maximum safety for all our students. We hope you enjoy your field trip experience.

Please review the guidelines below:

- ✓ Parents may be assigned to lead small groups during the trip. Parents may or may not be assigned to the group their child is in. Teachers may assign parents to lead specific prearranged groups of students.
- ✓ Please do not use cell phones while on the field trip. Business or personal conversations are not considered appropriate during the duration of the trip.
- ✓ Students should never be left unattended. Students may go to public restrooms in groups. Please be aware of any adults who appear to be lingering around your area and/or who might access the restrooms when your students are using them.
- ✓ Please do not purchase items or provide opportunities that are not offered to all students in the class or pre-approved by the teacher. Often times waiting can be boring, but this is part of the experience of traveling with a group.
- ✓ Under no circumstances is it permitted to smoke or purchase/drink alcoholic beverages during the entire duration of a school sponsored trip. This is clearly stated in the California Education Code.
- ✓ Please follow procedures outlined by the teacher even if there is a difference of opinion, with the exception of a safety issue. Teachers have the ultimate responsibility and depend on your support.
- ✓ Timelines are critical. Please wear a watch and coordinate meeting times. Please be prompt and plan for the unexpected. Try to arrive at the meeting spot a few minutes early. Buses are often on very tight timelines.

Above all, thank you, and have a great trip.