## PROCEDURES FOR SCHOOL-SPONSORED TRIPS

School-sponsored trips must be approved by the School Board.

- Clear guidelines will be established for all staff and volunteers.
- Students will be supervised at all times.
- Parents and students will attend an orientation, which will include the itinerary, procedures, and any payment schedule if applicable.
- Each student will sign a code of conduct form authorizing trip supervisors to exclude the student from a scheduled activity or send the student home.
- Each student and parent will sign a warning and consent form.
- Volunteers will be subject to a background investigation/criminal records check.
- I. Must have School Board Approval
- II. The following forms must be signed:
  - A. Acknowledgement of Warning and Consent Agreement (Parents, Students)
  - B. Volunteer Service Statement and Agreement (Chaperones)
  - C. Volunteer Appointment Criminal Check (All Volunteers/Chaperones)
  - D. Code of Conduct (Students, Parents, Volunteers)
  - E. Forms for prescription & non-prescription medicine (Parents)

## III. Parents/Students

- A. Attend orientation meeting including Itinerary, procedures, and payments.
- B. Present evidence of Medical/Accident Insurance or purchase Student Accident Insurance.
- C. Medical Emergency Forms updated and available to trip supervisors.
- D. Sign a Code of Conduct Form authorizing trip supervisors to exclude student from scheduled activity or send student home.

## IV. Trip Supervisors

- A. Know costs and fees of trip.
- B. Know the cancellation policy of Tour Company (for group or individual) if plans change or money is not made in a timely fashion.
- C. All monies raised should be placed into the Student Activity Account by the class advisors identifying the appropriate class.
- D. If using a Tour Operator please check on the following:
  - 1. Make sure reputable, check references
  - 2. Cancellation insurance
  - 3. Repatriation coverage
  - 4. Role of tour operator on the trip
  - 5. Tour interruptions and emergency care

## Foreign Travel:

- 1. Arrange for Overseas Insurance with coordination of care and evacuation benefits. Everyone should check current insurance and secure supplemental coverage.
- 2. Authorization to secure medical treatment including chaperones.
- 3. Check U.S. Dept. of State list of prohibited destinations.
- 4. Research Dept. of State Centers for Disease Control warnings for security and health conditions including crime.
- 5. Determine documents necessary for travel, keeping in a safe place.
- 6. Cultural orientation for everyone on the trip.

- 7. Local briefing at destination, establish ground rules.
- 8. Have sufficient supplies of prescription medicine, with class advisors keeping control of them.
- 9. Parental signature required for use of any prescription or non-prescription medicines.
- 10. Keep to Itinerary.
- 11. Be alert at all times.

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