

Board Policy IFCB: Field Trips and Excursions

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Field Trips designed to stimulate student interest and inquiry and provide opportunities for social growth and development are considered appropriate extensions of the classroom. To the extent that they provide the most effective means for accomplishing general curriculum objectives of the Vidalia City Schools, they must be recommended by the building principal to the superintendent of the Vidalia City Schools.

To be educationally beneficial, a field trip requires thoughtful selection, careful advance preparation of the class, and opportunities for pupils to assimilate the experience during and at the conclusion of the trip. To this end, teachers and principals will be expected to consider the following factors in selection of field trips: (a) value of the activity to the particular class group or class groups; (b) relationship of the field trip activity to a particular aspect of classroom instruction; (c) suitability of the activity and distance traveled in terms of the age level; (d) mode and availability of transportation; and (e) cost.

The Superintendent or his/her designee is authorized to approve all field trips except those which extend overnight or leave the State of Georgia.

Field trips which extend overnight and/or leave the State of Georgia must be approved by the Board of Education.
