

Field Trips

NEPN/NSBA Code: IJOA

Field trips may be used to enrich the academic program. Whenever trips are made away from Monhegan, signed permission must be obtained from parents (or guardians). The Teacher shall use his/her discretion to determine that all children are able to handle participation in a planned trip. If a child in any grade is unable to attend a planned trip, alternative arrangements will be made for him/her. The School Committee is responsible for approving the teacher's plan, including who shall accompany the children; what means of transportation shall be used; and if private vehicles/vessels are used, who shall drive. The School Committee shall ensure that, when the use of private vehicles/vessels is anticipated, the vehicles/vessels are properly insured.

Trips off the island, to the extent possible, should be scheduled far enough in advance so that the School Committee can judge the potential value of the trip to the school curriculum. Proposed plans for a trip should be distributed by the teacher to the parents and School Committee members at least three (3) full days before the School Committee meeting scheduled to approve the trip. A proposal for a trip shall include a brief statement of the educational aims of the trip; travel, lodging, and meal plans; a schedule of events; and a budget.

The money available for school trips shall be sufficient to cover, for each child, all necessary expenses that might be reasonably foreseen, with the exception of "pocket money" for small purchases. No trip shall be a source of financial hardship or embarrassment to any student or family.

Reference: Early School Orientation (IHBIB)

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