

CHESTER COUNTY  
 INTERMEDIATE  
 UNIT 24

SECTION: PROGRAMS  
 TITLE: FIELD TRIPS AND  
 EXCURSIONS  
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121. FIELD TRIPS AND EXCURSIONS	
1. Purpose	<p>The Board recognizes that field trips and excursions, when used as devices for motivation, for teaching and learning integral to the curriculum, are an educationally sound and important component of the instructional program. Properly planned and executed field trips and excursions can:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Supplement and enrich learning by providing educational experiences in an environment outside the classroom.</li> <li>2. Arouse new interests among students.</li> <li>3. Help students relate school experiences to the reality of the world outside of school.</li> <li>4. Introduce community resources, such as natural, cultural, industrial, commercial, governmental, and educational.</li> <li>5. Afford students the opportunity to study real things and real processes in their actual environment.</li> </ol>
2. Definition	<p>For purposes of this policy, a <b>field trip</b> shall be defined as any planned travel activity that supplements or enriches the classroom curriculum and involves at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the students in the class.</p> <p>An <b>excursion</b> shall be defined as a planned travel activity for students for enrichment and motivation purposes not directly related to the stated objectives of the curriculum but which support individual education plan accomplishments and which involve at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the students in the class.</p>
3. Authority	<p>The Board shall approve overnight field trips and excursions. The Executive Director or designee shall approve all other trips.</p>

