

Classification of Field Trips

A field trip is a trip off the school site, generally taken by a group of students in connection with curricular or co-curricular programs.

Field trips are divided into the following categories:

A. **Routine:** field trips within a 300 mile radius of Cedar Rapids.

1. Curricular

Curricular field trips are an integral component of the curriculum and are generally scheduled for all students in a grade or class. Transportation may be provided for such trips.

2. Co-Curricular

Co-curricular field trips typically involve attendance at a special activity, contest, or conference, and may not involve all students.

B. **Non-Routine:** field trips outside a 300 mile radius of Cedar Rapids.

All non-routine trips (curricular and co-curricular) must have a central objective(s), which qualify them as one or more of the following types of trips: (1) performance experience; (2) study; (3) contest participation; or (4) broad, culminating experience. The educational value, cultural opportunity, and/or performing experience should be sufficiently rewarding to justify the distance traveled, the time out of school (if any) and the fund-raising activities.

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