

Poudre School District

RISK MANAGEMENT

Operating a Field Trip that is Not District-Sponsored

Any field trip organized by a District employee that is not sponsored by the school/District shall be subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The employee, and any other District employees traveling with the group, will be participating in the trip as individuals and not as employees of the District. As such:
 - a. The individual(s) will not be covered by any District insurance including, but not limited to, the District's liability insurance policies and workers' compensation insurance;
 - b. The individual(s) are not afforded the protections of Colorado Governmental Immunity Act; and
 - c. Any time missed from work, including work time used to support a non-school/District sponsored trip must be taken out of employee's available leave time or be unpaid.
- 2. All advertising and promotional materials developed must clearly inform parents/guardians and students that the trip is not sponsored by the school/District.
- 3. The use of school facilities and the promotion and advertisement of trips not sponsored by the school/District are subject to District Policy KF (Use of District Facilities) and District Policy KHC (Distribution/Posting of Non-District Communications).
- 4. There shall be no relationship between involvement in the trip and course grades/credit.
- 5. Classroom time cannot be used to promote or organize a trip that is not sponsored by the school/District.
- 6. District employees cannot use school equipment, materials or their District email account in planning or promoting a trip not sponsored by the school/District.
- 7. The District's tax identification number cannot be used for fundraising activities.
- 8. Money cannot be deposited into District accounts and purchases cannot be run through District accounts.

These requirements are necessary in order to ensure that it is clear to parents/guardians and students that a trip is not school/District-sponsored.