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3 **INSTRUCTION**

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5 **Field Trips, Excursions, and Outdoor Education**

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7 The Board recognizes that field trips, when used as a device for teaching and learning integral to
8 the curriculum, are an educationally sound and important ingredient in the instructional program
9 of the schools. Such trips can supplement and enrich classroom procedures by providing
10 learning experiences in an environment beyond the classroom. The Board also recognizes that
11 field trips may result in lost learning opportunities in missed classes. Therefore, the Board
12 endorses the use of field trips, when educational objectives achieved by the trip outweigh any
13 lost in-class learning opportunities.

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15 Field trips that will take students out of state must be approved in advance by the Board; building
16 principals may approve all other field trips.

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18 Building principals will develop procedures with respect to field trips, excursions, and outdoor
19 education.

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21 Staff members may not solicit students during instructional time for any privately arranged field
22 trip or excursion without Board permission.

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24 Transportation and lodging for trips or events under this policy shall be in accordance with
25 Policy 8132. The presence of a person with a currently valid first aid card is required during
26 school-sponsored activities, including field trips, athletic, and other off-campus events. Parental
27 permission shall be documented for all school sponsored trips.

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29 Cross Reference Policy 2158 Parental and Family Engagement
30 Policy 8132 Activity Trips

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32 Legal Reference: ARM 37.111.825 Health Supervision and Maintenance
33 Title 40, Chapter 6, Part 7 Rights of Parents

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35 **Policy History:**

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