

Educational Excursions

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Policy Statement

The St. Clair Catholic District School Board acknowledges the value of well-planned learning activities outside the classroom, which afford all students opportunities to come into direct contact with, and to experience the world in which they live. All educational excursions must be consistent with the St. Clair Catholic District School Board's mission and vision, the Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations and the curriculum expectations as outlined in the Ontario Curriculum.

Policy Goals

1. That educational excursions are carefully planned to provide extended learning opportunities, in order to achieve specific curriculum expectations.
2. That student safety is the priority in the planning and implementation of all educational excursions.
3. That student participation is approved by informed, written parental/guardian informed consent and that it is not constrained by financial resources of the family.
4. That excursion planning will include careful consideration and preparation in relation to the following: funding, costs, training, travel, supervision, risk management, contingency planning and evaluation.

Definitions

Informed Consent - Consent given after all reasonable efforts have been made to fully explain the activity and any reasonably foreseeable risks associated with that activity; a reasonable effort would include measures such as translation or interpretation in the consenting person's first language.