

Instruction

International Trips

The Board of Education considers international field trips to be extracurricular and enriching cultural experiences that enhance the curriculum of the Bethel Public Schools. The Board approves the continuation of international trips under regulations established by the Superintendent and reported to the Board.

The school staff proposing any type of international trip must present a detailed plan, as prescribed in the regulations, for the trip to the building principal for approval. The plan must clearly indicate the connection to the curriculum outcomes intended for all students participating on the proposed international trip. School staff must also follow specific guidelines outlined in the regulations established by the Board of Education

The school staff, under the direction of the principal, shall also take all reasonable and prudent steps to safeguard the health and safety of participating students. To ensure the safety of our students and staff, no international trips will be taken unless through a vetted tour company who specializes in student international travel.

The Board of Education encourages trips which maximize access to students with disabilities. The principal may place restrictions upon an individual student's participation based on the staff's or principal's judgment.

International travel to out-of-country destinations requires prior approval of the Board of Education and the Superintendent.

The Board shall consider all circumstances of the trip and itinerary and the interests of the District, students and staff, in making a determination whether to approve a particular trip or destination.