



# CHESAPEAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## FIELD TRIP ORIENTATION CHAPERONE APPROVAL FORM

### Field Trip Belief Statements

We Believe:

1. Field trips are off-campus experiences which provide enrichment, performance, or competitive opportunities with expanded cultural horizons.
2. Field trips are a vital part of public schools which gives schools a chance to validate what goes on in school in a way a teacher cannot in a classroom.
3. Field trips should be educationally related.
4. Field trips provide real world experiences and team building opportunities.
5. Field trips give students an opportunity to experience something they normally would not see or attend.
6. Field trips foster interdisciplinary learning in athletics, academics, and the arts.
7. Field trips provide bonding opportunities for students which can foster lifelong memories.
8. Field trips can provide students an opportunity to work on critical thinking skills.
9. Field trips can provide additional motivation for students to participate in a program.
10. Field trips give students the opportunity to be ambassadors for the school system and the community.
11. Field trips fall into different categories such as extension of the classroom experience, performance, athletic, and club or activity related.
12. Field trips must be well planned and organized with an itinerary that ensures proper supervision.
13. Chaperones should be prepared and trained.
14. The timing of the field trip must be considered and the loss of instructional time should be weighed against the value of the field trip.
15. There should be an approval process with an acceptable time for approval and an appeals process.
16. Prior to the field trip, students should be given clear guidelines on behavior, money management, etiquette, etc.
17. There needs to be an appropriate ratio between activities related to the primary purpose of the field trip and other scheduled activities.

This form is to certify that I have attended the Chesapeake Public Schools Field Trip Orientation and understand the Field Trip Belief Statements. I will, to the best of my ability, perform the duties as outlined in the Chesapeake Public Schools Field Trip Chaperone Orientation.

#### CHAPERONE INFORMATION:

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Last Name                      First Name

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Signature                                      Date

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Orientation Lead by: _____	Initials
Date: _____	

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Child's Name                                      Teacher