



# Eagle View Elementary School

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## **2024/2025 Impromptu Walking Field Trips Informed Consent**

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The education of children is not confined to the four walls of the classroom. Teachers enhance their curriculum with field trips outside the classroom. Normally, field trips are planned by teachers and communicated to you outlining the purpose and all relevant details concerning the specific trip. As a parent or guardian, your consent is required for these field trips on an individual basis as they arise. There are times, however, when teachers take their classes out of doors and off of the school site to walk to various destinations within the school neighborhood.

These “walking field trips” are often spontaneous, taking advantage of the weather or to see something in the neighborhood. Such field trips may include, but are not limited to the following:

- Environmental clean-up
- Visiting local library and museum
- Releasing salmon fry into a nearby stream
- Science walks to observe seasonal changes
- Environmental enhancement e.g., gardening
- Visiting municipal and first nations communities and infrastructures

**SUPERVISION:** The classroom teacher will directly supervise walking field trips. Depending on the grade level and the nature of the activity, additional supervision may be provided by teachers, education assistants or parents to meet the supervision requirements outlined in our District Field Trip Policy. At all times, teachers will endeavor to ensure the safety of students during the walking field trip. Normally, elementary children will walk in line formation guided by adults, crossing roads at safe crossing points as a class.

**RISK REDUCTION:** Walking field trip activities are considered low risk for accidents or personal injury to students. However, classroom teachers will discuss behavioral expectations with students and take the appropriate safety precautions before embarking on the walking field trip to minimize risk and to enhance the safety of each student. Classroom emergency back packs, contact information and cellular phones are taken on walking field trips. Student Emergency Procedure Plans/medical supplies will be brought for students with life-threatening medical conditions (e.g., anaphylaxis, diabetes).

Behavioral expectations consistent with all school rules and our code of conduct apply. Alternate learning materials and supervision will be arranged for students not participating. Because of the impromptu nature of walking field trips, the school is seeking, in advance, informed consent for your child to participate in walking field trips within our community; please complete and return form on reverse.

Sincerely,

Ms. Stacia Johnson  
Principal





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## Impromptu Walking Field Trips Informed Consent Approval

(Please check appropriate box below)

I understand the impromptu nature and inherent risks associated with walking field trips and give my informed consent for my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to participate in walking field trips within the school community as outlined in the attached Letter to Parents/Guardians for the school term 2024/2025. I am aware of the behavioral expectations of my child while participating in these field trips and that there may be consequences for noncompliance.

I do NOT give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to participate in walking field trips for the school term 2024/2025. I understand that my child will be placed under the supervision of a Board employee in the school building during the walking field trip.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

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Child's Teacher

