

Instruction

Educational Tours

Foreign Trips

The New Milford Board of Education does not sponsor or financially support foreign travel for students of the New Milford Public Schools. Members of the school community are free to make private arrangements for students to participate in foreign travel.

If a faculty member wishes to act as a private agent and arrange trips to foreign countries for high school students and such travel is relevant to classroom study and will be guided by a reputable and responsible private agency, the Board will allow the following activities on school grounds:

1. Information about anticipated trips may be given to students and their parents as long as such information clearly states that participation is voluntary, the trip is not sponsored by the Board, all expenses will be paid by participating students and/or their parents, and the student's grades will not be affected in any way by participation;
2. Faculty and students participating in the foreign trip may conduct meetings on school grounds. Students will not be contacted or meet during regular school hours. The Principal shall control the number of meetings in the school building which are related to the proposed trip;
3. The trip organizers and participating students shall make every effort to avoid creating peer pressure or conflicts between students and their parents. Planning, discussion, and reports on trips, especially when they take place during classes, will be kept to a reasonable level and handled with sensitivity and courtesy to minimize any feelings of embarrassment, discontent, or exclusion on the part of non-participating students;
4. Any fund-raising activities conducted by students on school grounds or during school-sponsored events, must be approved by the High School Principal. During any such fund-raising activities, it shall be made clear that the trip is strictly a private effort and not sponsored by the Board of Education.

Participants and their parents/guardians are solely responsible for any contractual provisions made with any travel provider, including, but not limited to, cancellation policies and the Board of Education accepts no responsibilities thereto.

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