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School Sponsored Trips

Participation in approved, school-sponsored trips of any kind is restricted to only MPCS students, MPCS students' parents, MPCS staff, administration-approved MPCS alumni, and MPCS staff spouses. If a third-party trip-coordinating company is used, representatives of that company may also attend for the express purpose of facilitating and leading the trips.

Participation in school-sponsored trips is also limited to the dates and transportation method designated by MPCS. Students are not permitted to drive themselves to and from field trip destinations even with parental permission and sign-out.

Students who travel under the school's supervision on ANY school or athletic activity must return with the school group and to the school unless the parent/ guardian signs the student out with the teacher/coach. Due to the school's legal responsibility and liability and for the safety of the student(s), the only people to whom a student will be released on such trips are the student's parents or guardians, unless written notification is provided beforehand.

Field Trips

Field trips are an important enrichment to the educational program. Parents/guardians will have advance notice of a planned school trip away from campus. These trips may be as short as a few hours off campus, or may extend over multiple days. An electronic Field Trip Permission Form will be provided to the parent/guardian for a signature and then must be returned to the teacher before a student's participation is permitted. The school will arrange transportation to and from a field-trip destination. Only drivers designated by the school will be allowed to transport students.

The majority of these day field trips are included in tuition with transportation, admission fees, and sack lunches (when appropriate) covered at no additional cost to parents. For extended trips there will be a cost for overnight lodging.

Mission Trips, Study Abroad Travel

MPCS offers several opportunities throughout the year for both domestic and international mission trips as well as study abroad opportunities. Details on these opportunities along with guidelines and policies on participation are provided through the Christian Life department and through high school administration at the time the trips are announced.