

STUDENT TRAVEL

Senior Class Trip

These guidelines refer specifically to the senior class trip. The Senior Class Trip is an opportunity for the Vinalhaven community to support students in their effort to travel together at the end of their high school career. Each class will fundraise, plan and travel together as a bonding and travel experience.

The Board requires that class trips utilize a travel agent for at least transportation and lodging needs. Classes are welcome to use the agent for further planning-activities, meals, etc.

Class trips will take place second semester of senior year, during March or April spring breaks. Trips will take place toward the end of the class's high school tenure as a reward for their hard work.

Classes are encouraged to utilize local organizations (e.g. VLT) to travel on weekend trips during freshman, sophomore or junior years to practice trip planning and begin class bonding.

Educational component

Class trips will be tied in some way to what students have learned in school (e.g. Visit to Pearl Harbor museums' relates to study of WWII)

- Classes will include a bulleted description of at least three educational opportunities at proposed location during first proposal to School Board.
- Classes will include a slideshow presentation of chosen educational program at final location during final proposal to School Board.
- Class Advisor(s) will organize brainstorming session and class secretary will take notes.

Community Service/Appreciation component

Class trips will include a service requirement as a way to thank the community for supporting the class fundraisers and making senior trips possible. Classes can fulfill this service requirement in one of two ways:

1. Each student will complete an act of local service during each year of fundraising for the class trip. Class Advisor(s) will provide a list of service opportunities and keep track of each student's service. Students should complete a different act of service each year. Classes can choose to organize themselves for a group service activity each year.
2. Classes can choose to participate in a trip organized by a student service program (e.g. Habitat for Humanity). Class Advisor(s) will provide a list of approved programs for students to choose from, or the class can propose a new program to the School Board.

Location of travel

All travel will remain inside the United States unless pre-approved by the Board. In order to maintain optimum safety precautions for our students, any trips outside of the U.S. are required to be arranged under the auspices of established travel program or student travel organization, also approved by the Board. Class Advisor(s) will provide list of approved programs.

Due to accessibility of alcohol and limited educational exposure, all-inclusive resorts and commercial cruises are not permitted.

Cross Reference:	JICH-VH	Student Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco Use Policy
	JJE-VH	Student Fundraising
	JJH-R	Senior Class Trip Planning Procedure
	JJH-R	Chaperone Responsibilities
	JJH-R	Student Behavior Guidelines

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