
FIELD TRIP LETTER and CONSENT FORM
for Participation in a One Day Low-Risk Field Trip

Date: May 29, 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you about the upcoming field trip that your child will be participating in. Your signature(s) on the attached Consent Form confirms that you are aware of the information provided in this letter and permit your child to participate in this field trip.

We are arranging a field trip for students in Science 8 Pathways, Science 9 Pathways, and Life Sciences 11 on **June 22nd, 2023**.

Students will be going to the **Vancouver Aquarium**, and will be away from the school from **9:15 AM to 1:30 PM**. We will be travelling by **district school bus**.

On this field trip, we will be: exploring the galleries, participating in the Aquarium's daily programming, and eating our lunches.

Students will need to bring the following items: pen/pencil, water bottle, packed lunch or lunch money, as well as appropriate clothing for the weather. It is recommended that students also bring a camera or cell phone to take photos with to document their experience.

The cost of the field trip will be **\$26**. There is limited space available on this field trip because of transportation restrictions. The first 46 Life Sciences 11 students to submit their field trip forms will be asked to pay the field trip fee via SchoolCashOnline no later than **June 9, 2023**. After this deadline, remaining spots will be opened up to Life Sciences 11 students on a first come, first served basis and fees can be paid by cash or cheque.

The class will be supervised by 2 school employees and 1 adult volunteer (in addition to Vancouver Aquarium staff and volunteers) and this will not be modified or reduced. Please note that your child may not be directly supervised by an adult at all times during this field trip.

Please note that accidents can be the result of the nature of the activity and can occur with or without any fault on either the part of the student, or the school board or its employees or agents, or the facility where the activity is taking place. Some specific risks and dangers include:

- Injuries related to motor vehicle incidents en route to and from the activity area
- Becoming lost or separated from the group or the group becoming split up
- Injuries related to slips, trips, and falls in the program area or en route to/from it
- Sub-optimal weather or weather changes creating adverse conditions students are not properly dressed for when outdoors
- Injuries related to interactions with aquatic animals and plants in the wet lab
- Illness related to inadequate hygiene
- Unique risks of the activity or site
- Other risks normally associated with the activity and hazards in the environment.

By allowing your child to participate in this field trip activity, you are accepting the risk of an accident occurring, and agree that this activity, as described above, is suitable for your child.

We ask that you and your child complete the attached Field Trip Consent Form and return it to me no later than **June 5, 2023**.

If you **do not** wish your child to accompany the class on this field trip, please advise me no later than **June 5, 2023** so that I may arrange for alternate supervision.

If you have any questions about this field trip, please contact me by calling the school office or by emailing me at LAU@SD38.BC.CA.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Name(s) of Teacher(s)

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HOW WE LEARN AND WORK TOGETHER

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation to provide all members of our school district community with a positive climate and a safe, healthy environment.

As we learn and work together, we will...

- 1** Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- 2** Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- 3** Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- 4** Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- 5** Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property.
- 6** Respect the non smoking environment of our schools and school district facilities.



Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.

The complete code of conduct
is available online at:
[sd38.bc.ca/ codeofconduct](http://sd38.bc.ca/codeofconduct)

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Child's Name: _____ Gr. _____

Parent's/Guardian's Name: _____

Destination and Date of Field Trip: Vancouver Aquarium, June 22 2023

Parent's/Guardian's Consent and Acknowledgement of Risk

- I accept the mode of transportation for this activity.
- I accept the risks/hazards inherent in the program/activity(ies) and understand and acknowledge that my child may be involved in an accident and may suffer personal and potentially serious injury arising from my child's participation.
- My child will abide by the District Code of Conduct (as attached) during all phases of this program/activity. This includes expectations, directions and instructions from the staff and/or service providers, administrators, instructors, and supervisors. In the event my child fails to abide by these expectations, disciplinary action may include my child being excluded from further participation or that I be contacted to pick up my child (unless I have specified other transport arrangements) and I will be responsible for any costs associated to send my child home.
- I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to inform the Teacher of any medical/health concerns that may affect my child's participation.
- I consent that the Board, through its employees, agents and officers, may secure such emergency medical services and advice as they deem necessary for my child's immediate health and safety, and that I shall be financially responsible for such services and advice.

My child _____ has my permission to participate in this field trip.Parent's/Guardian's Name (Please print): _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____
Cell #: _____ Email: _____Parent's/Guardian's Name (Please print): _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____
Cell #: _____ Email: _____Emergency Contact's Name (Please print): _____ Relationship to child: _____
Contact #'s (home, work, cell): _____**Student Commitment to Safety, District Code of Conduct and Acknowledgement of Risk**

- I will participate in this activity to the best of my abilities.
- I will behave safely and will wear appropriate clothing and use appropriate equipment on this field trip.
- I have been briefed by my teacher on the elements of risk and dangers involved and the precautions that are to be taken.
- I will abide by the District Code of Conduct, school rules, and expectations set out by the sponsor teacher and supervisors during the field trip.
- I will report any safety, medical or health Issue or Injury to the Sponsor Teacher.

Student Name (Please print): _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____