



<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>General School Administration</b>	<b>APPROVAL DATE:</b>
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<b>POLICY NAME:</b>	<b>Recreational Activities Involving Water</b>	<b>LAST REVISED:</b>
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1. SAFETY
  - 1.1 It is the responsibility of the principal to determine that the benefits to the students outweigh the risks.
  - 1.2 A risk management assessment needs to be undertaken.
  - 1.3 The risk management assessment must address the following:
    - a) identification of hazardous situations or activities
    - b) identification of risk management techniques
    - c) implementation of techniques
    - d) monitoring of results
  - 1.4 Activities must conform with other relevant Board policies including Day Field Trips (GSA.E8), Overnight Field Trips (GSA.E1), Pupil Transportation (BSS.E.1), Volunteers in Schools (GSA.E.9), and Outdoor Activities: Curricular, Intramural and Interschool (GSA.E.19)
2. WATERPARKS AND AMUSEMENT PARKS
  - 2.1 A principal may approve a trip to a waterpark or amusement park provided the risk management assessment identifies practical ways to address safety issues.
3. TRAVEL BY BOAT
  - 3.1 Power craft  
A principal may approve travel by powered craft provided the risk management assessment identifies practical ways to address safety issues.
  - 3.2 Unpowered craft  
A principal may approve travel by unpowered craft provided the risk management assessment identifies practical ways to address safety issues.
4. SWIMMING POOLS
  - 4.1 Residential pools are not to be used.
  - 4.2 Pools part of a hotel or motel are not to be used for recreational activities.
5. INSURANCE
  - 5.1 It is the responsibility of the principal to ensure that each student has appropriate student accident insurance, out of province accident insurance and out of country accident insurance.

6. PERMISSION FORMS

6.1 The Wellington Catholic District School Board Permission Form with Informed Consent for Educational Trips must be read and signed by the parent or guardian of the participating student, and by the student. (See APP.A.1.GSA.E.19)

6.2 In addition to the Permission form with Informed Consent, the Wellington Catholic District School Board Release and Indemnification Form for Educational Trips must be read and signed by participants 18 years of age or older (See APP.A.2.GSA.E.19) and volunteer supervisors. (See APP.A.3.GSA.E.19)