



## Guidance for Overnight Field Trips

District/school staff, volunteers and students must follow applicable [CDPH K-12 guidance](#), [Alameda County isolation guidance](#) and [Cal/OSHA Employee Temporary Standards](#) on overnight field trips.

### How do we travel safely to and from a field trip?

Students and staff should follow all [CDC travel guidance](#). Masks are strongly recommended on all public transportation. In general, if students and staff are riding in a private vehicle together:

- Masks are strongly recommended. *Some districts and school may require masks while traveling.*
- Keep windows open as much as possible. Turn the fan on high and set it to outdoor air.
- Encourage participants and staff who carpool to ride with the same people each time travel occurs.

### If students take a school trip off-campus, should students wear mask indoors if the location they are visiting does not recommend masking?

[Per CDPH guidance](#), face masks are strongly recommended in indoor public settings. *Some districts and school may require masks on field trips.*

### Can an exposed student go on a field trip?

Schools and districts can set policies that outline whether exposed students can attend field trips.

### Can unvaccinated students go on overnight field trips?

Schools and districts can set policies that require students to be vaccinated in order to participate in overnight trips. If students participate in overnight trips outside the Bay Area, they should follow [CDC travel guidance](#) for testing upon return.

### Should we test students before and after the field trip?

Schools and districts can choose to test students before, during and/or after overnight field trips.

### What do we do if students develop symptoms of COVID-19 while on the field trip?

Schools should develop a protocol for isolating and testing students who develop symptoms of COVID-19 during an overnight trip. Schools should also have a protocol in place for returning a student who tests positive for COVID-19 home safely.