



**PARENT APPROVAL FIELD TRIP FORM**  
**Curling Field Trip - March 28, 2017**

**F 260-3**

The information on this form is collected pursuant to the FOIP Act, Sections 33(c), 39 1(b) & 40 1(c) to be used to organize and coordinate a school field trip.

SCHOOL INFORMATION: School Name: **Bonnyville Outreach School**

Staff Member/Supervisor in Charge of Trip: **Steven Ripkens, Danielle Smith**

FIELD TRIP INFORMATION:

TRIP DESTINATION (Include overnight details if required): **Glendon Curling Club, Glendon, AB**

TRIP DATE(S): **March 28, 2017**

CLASS(ES) or GRADE(S) INVOLVED: **Grades 9-12**

TEAMS INVOLVED: **Grades 9 - 12**

PURPOSE OF TRIP: **Curling PE Activity**

CHARGES TO STUDENT: **\$0**

RISK DETAILS: **Slips, Trips, Falls; Motor Vehicle Accident; Choking on Food**

SUPERVISION DETAILS:

Number of Supervisors to be taken on trip: **2**

Contact Number for Supervisors: **780-826-3111 (BOS); 780-812-0963 (DS)**

DETAILS:

Method of Transport: Walking: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR**

Contracted Service: \_\_\_\_\_ Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Leased Vehicle \_\_\_\_\_ School Owned Vehicle: **\_X\_** Private Vehicle: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver(s) **Steven Ripkens**

Route Details: **HWY 28 West to HWY 41 North to HWY 660 West to HWY 882 South.**

**Return.**

Departure/Return Times: **Depart BOS @ 12:00, Arrive Glendon @ 12:30, Depart Glendon at 14:00, Arrive BOS @ 14:30**

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**STUDENT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

***NOTE: Parents must have ultimate authority in approving whether or not their child (if under the age of 18 years old) goes on the trip.***

\_\_\_\_\_ I approve of my son's/daughter's attendance on this field trip and the planning regarding this trip.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am prepared to volunteer for this trip as a supervisor.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone Number** where I can be reached **on the day of the trip.**

Information about my child that field trip personnel need to know for this excursion:  
(Medical or other) \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions about the collection, use or disclosure of information collected on this form, please contact **your School's FOIP Coordinator** or the **NLSD FOIP Coordinator at 6005-50 Avenue, Bonnyville Alberta, T9N 2L4**. The phone number is (780) 826-3145 and fax is (780) 826-4600.

## Risk Assessment for BOS trip to World Water Park/WEM

**Inherent Level of Risk:** All activities, regardless of the complexity or simplicity of the action, have an inherent level of risk. Variable factors such as cognitive ability and developmental maturity, skill level, previous experience of the students and teacher, weather conditions, facilities, and available equipment may all affect the level of risk of any activity.

**Travel (to and from)** Injuries can occur during loading/unloading usually taking the form of slips, trips, and falls. While traveling on any roadway, there is also the possibility of collision, leaving the road, or malfunction of the vehicle. Possible related injuries include, but are not limited to sprains, strains, broken bones, exposure to inclement weather, or in extreme cases, internal injury, head injury or death. In order to limit these risks, students must wear appropriate footwear, use caution while loading and unloading, and remain seated while the bus is in motion. Students should also avoid any behavior that would distract the bus driver, or any other behavior that might interfere with the safe operation of the vehicle. Note: in the event of road conditions that may make travel unnecessarily dangerous, the trip will be cancelled and, if possible, rescheduled for a later date. Students must bring outdoor clothing appropriate for the weather in the event of an accident or vehicle malfunction, and will not be permitted to attend without.

**Water Park – General:** All activities in the water park involve significant risk of injury. It cannot be overstated that students' awareness of, and respect for, their own level of ability is critical to safe participation in this activity. Most injuries in the park take the form of slips, trips, or falls, which students face an increased risk of due to wet walking surfaces. Possible related injuries include, but are not limited to sprains, strains, broken bones, or in extreme cases, internal injury, head injury or death. Students must walk in all locations of the facility, including change rooms, in pools, on decks, and while climbing to slides in order to reduce the risk. Students will also be expected to remain in groups or with a supervisor in the water park so that help can be summoned in the event of an injury. While climbing to slides, students will find themselves at significant heights. All slide platforms and stairways have safety railings. While these railings are high enough to meet appropriate safety codes, students should take no chances when near them. Climbing on, or horseplay near railings can result in multistory falls with death, paralysis, or other life-altering injury being likely consequences. There will be zero tolerance for any such behavior. Public pools also have a risk of exposure to bacterial contaminants from other swimmers. These can be caused from patrons with open cuts, runny noses, warts or other skin infections, accidental defecation in a pool (usually by infants or small children). Public pools in Alberta are chlorinated to reduce the risk of contracting an illness, but this is still a possibility. In the event that a contaminant is identified in an area of the facility, students should follow staff direction away from that area immediately.

**Water Park – Slides:** Water slides are fast moving, especially those that allow the use of tubes, and have a splash down pool at the end. Injuries common to water slides involve impact injuries caused when students lose control of their body position on slides. Possible related injuries include, but are not limited to sprains, strains, broken bones, or in extreme cases, internal injury, head injury or death. Additionally, on particularly fast slides, there is a risk of high-pressure water impacting/entering the genitalia and exerting force on poorly secured swim attire. In order to limit all of the above risks, students must ensure they follow all slide regulations and safety positions, either A) seated, forward facing with arms out to the sides and legs crossed at the ankles, or B) laying down on the back, feet first with arms crossed across the chest and legs crossed at the ankles. Note: Only position B is permitted on certain slides. Diagrams are provided at the top of each slide. Additionally, students should select swim attire that is strongly secured to their body. Due to drowning risk, students should select slides where

the splash down pool depth is appropriate to their swimming ability. Supervisors or lifeguards are available to assist in this regard. For additional safety, slide attendants are stationed at the top of each slide to assist with safety positioning, and lifeguards are present at each splash down pool.

**Water Park – Wave Pool:** The wave pool is a large body of water with waves reaching approximately 4 feet in height at their highest crest, and a maximum depth of approximately 6 feet. Certain areas of the pool, such as along the edges and near the pool bottom can have strong currents. Common risks of using the wave pool include impact injuries from collision with other swimmers or the pool bottom/walls. These can include, but are not limited to sprains, strains, broken bones, or in extreme cases, internal injury, head injury or death. In the event of injury while in the water, there is a compounded risk of water inhalation, oxygen deprivation, and drowning. Again, student awareness of their own level of ability and respect for that level is the critical component of injury prevention. Students must always remain in groups to be able to summon assistance where necessary. Additionally, students who lack strong swimming skills are not permitted to enter water deeper than their armpits. All students will be expected to demonstrate swimming competency upon arrival to a lifeguard, and each student will be advised as to whether or not they may exceed this limit. In the event that a student is unable to demonstrate even basic swimming competency, they may have further restrictions placed on the depth they may enter the pool. Students who fail to respect these restrictions will not be permitted to remain in the water park and will not receive reimbursement. Finally, lifeguards are present at regular intervals around the wave pool. In the event that a student experiences distress, group members should immediately summon their assistance and follow their instructions. Roughhousing and horseplay dramatically increase the risk of injury and are strictly forbidden.

**Water Park – Hot Tubs:** Students will face the similar risks as the wave pool. Though waves and strong currents are not significant issues, increased temperature does create the risk of overheating, which can result in increased risk of slip, trip, or fall related injuries, or in extreme cases may result in loss of consciousness, or death. Students should abide posted time restrictions for sitting in a hot tub, and should slowly remove themselves from the hot tub and sit on the edge if they experience feelings of dizziness, light-headedness, or nausea. A lifeguard should also be notified immediately, and a supervisor should be located. Additionally, hot tubs can have a higher bacteria content than cooler pools. To limit risks of potential infections to ears, eyes, nose, throat, or stomach, students should NEVER submerge their heads in a hot tub, and should use available showers immediately on exiting the hot tub.

**Shopping:** There are many potential risks in West Edmonton Mall that students and parents must be aware of.

**Slips/Trips/Falls, including from second level:** Possible related injuries include, but are not limited to sprains, strains, broken bones, or in extreme cases, internal injury, head injury or death. Students should always walk in the mall, and be mindful of stairs, and changes in flooring height if in areas where renovations are occurring. All viewing locations on the second level, looking down to the first level, have safety railings. While these railings are high enough to meet appropriate safety codes, students should take no chances when near them. Climbing on, or horseplay near railings can result in multistory falls with death, paralysis, or other life-altering injury being likely consequences. There will be zero tolerance for any such behavior.

**Risk of violent behavior:** West Edmonton Mall, like any shopping center is a publicly accessible location with people from all walks of life, including disreputable individuals. However unlikely, there is a risk that while in the mall, students may encounter individuals who attempt to commit robbery or

grievous bodily harm against them. Student behavior is critical to limiting these risks. At ALL times, students should remain in view of the public, and should NEVER engage unknown persons in conversation outside of a sales staff in stores. Students should always remain in groups with access to a cell phone and contact information for multiple supervisors programmed in, as well as providing their cell phone number to supervisors. In the case of a robbery, students should comply with requests to surrender whatever the robber is asking for, even if no weapon is presented, in a slow and controlled fashion, as one cannot know if the robber has hidden weapons. In the event that a person indicates that they intend to commit harm to a student, or attempt to remove a student or group of students from publicly visible locations, students should actively resist and attempt to draw as much attention to themselves as possible. West Edmonton Mall Security regularly patrols the facility and can be contacted at 780-444-4444, or by reaching any of the “blue box phones” located around the mall.

**Risk of illegal behavior:** In the event that students are involved in illegal activity, such as shoplifting, drug use/acquisition, or intoxication, there is significant risk that police or security may detain students. If a student finds himself or herself in this situation, they should advise the involved officers that they are here on a school trip, and would like to notify a supervisor. It is not within the power of a teacher to demand the release of a student in the event that they are detained or arrested for illegal activity, and students may face legal consequences. A parent or guardian will be called to retrieve the student immediately if they are involved in ANY illegal activity. Use or possession of drugs and/or alcohol is **STRICTLY** forbidden.

**Meals:** Typical injuries revolve around burns or choking. Students should sit while eating to prevent choking. They should check food for appropriate temperature before consuming. Finally, any hot drinks brought onto the bus must be in spill resistant cups. Paper/Styrofoam cups with lids are not permitted.