



## Greystone Centennial Middle School



### **Greystone Centennial Middle School 2025-26 Walking Field Trip Permission Form**

Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

The staff at Greystone Centennial Middle School offers a wide variety of learning opportunities that take our students off school grounds and into the Spruce Grove Community. This includes walking field trips to other school sites, local parks as well as some businesses in the area. **We require the permission of each student's parent/guardian in order to participate in these activities throughout the 2025-26 school year.**

These off-site walking field trips are carefully planned with the educational and developmental needs of our students in mind. Our goal is to provide them with hands-on learning experiences that complement their classroom studies. On occasion these walks may be more spontaneous in nature, taking advantage of nice weather to explore the community, but more often than not, these are pre-planned excursions that families are informed of through email or other classroom communication tools.

#### **Requirements:**

Walking field trips are considered low risk for accidents or personal injury to students. To ensure the smooth execution of the trip, we kindly ask that each student is dressed appropriately for the weather on a daily basis, and bring appropriate lunch/snacks to get them through the day.

**Risks:**

The staff of GCMS prioritize the safety and well-being of all students during off-site activities. While we take every precaution to minimize risks, it's important to acknowledge that there are inherent uncertainties associated with any outing. By allowing your child to participate, we ask that you acknowledge and understand this inherent risk.

**Responsibility and Commitment to Safety:**

We are committed to ensuring the safety of all students throughout the duration of the trip. Our team has implemented various risk mitigation strategies, including *reinforcing expectations prior to the excursion; including specific safety precautions/expectations such as when to cross the street, and where to meet up/check-in*. Additionally, all students are expected to adhere to both the school's code of conduct and the venue's rules at all times.

In the event of an interruption or cancellation of the activity, we assure you that our priority will be to ensure the safety and well-being of all students. As these trips are more casual in nature, they can be cancelled/rescheduled on a moment's notice.

Please review the attached permission form and sign below to indicate your consent for your child to participate in walking field trips during the 2025-26 school year. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support,

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**PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT**

*Given the impromptu nature of walking field trips, your child's school is seeking, in advance, informed consent for your child to participate during the **2025-2026** school year. Rather than sending home a separate permission form for each walking field trip, the consent below will cover your child's walking field trips for the entire school year. By allowing your child to participate, you are agreeing that walking field trips are a suitable type of activity for your child and that there is an inherent risk of injury associated with such an activity.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, give permission for my child to participate in the off-site walking field trips throughout the 2025-26 school year with their classroom, grade-level or whole school community.

Emergency Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_