



## **SELS Code of Conduct for Fieldwork - Chaperones**

1. Chaperones will be expected to abide by all regular rules and policies set forth by Sierra Expeditionary Learning School.
2. Chaperones will appropriately participate in all required lessons, discussions, or other activities.
3. Chaperones will keep cell phones or other electronic equipment use to a minimum during fieldwork activities. If there is a need to work/use these devices, this should be set up prior with the crew leader.
4. Chaperones will make sure students do not have access to any technology during all fieldwork (including driving and while in tents), unless authorized by the teacher. No student cell phones allowed and no movies while in cars.
5. Chaperones will be expected to act courteously and responsibly, and to comply with decisions and requests made by the crew leader.
6. Chaperones will be expected to actively engage in fieldwork and crew organization, always treating crew, crew leaders, other chaperones, and experts with courtesy and respect.
7. Alcohol and drugs are not allowed at any time on fieldwork.
8. Separate sleeping areas for male and female chaperones will be strictly maintained. Excessive displays of physical affection will not be allowed.
9. All personal and school property should be used only with permission and treated with care. Cost of damage, loss, or theft of any school property due to negligence will be billed to the individual responsible.
10. Unsafe activities must be avoided at all times. Chaperones need to be vigilant about crew safety.
11. Chaperones will follow the driving directions set out by the crew leader. Additionally, chaperones will refrain from excessive stops and buying of “treats” for students (such as Starbucks, fast food, etc.).
12. If a rule is not stated, common sense, good judgment, courtesy, respect, and safety should apply.
13. Violation of these rules and policies will result in a disciplinary referral and possibly immediate dismissal from the excursion. Severity of violation could warrant individual restrictions on fieldwork, and possible exclusion from all fieldwork activity. In the event of a dismissal in which the offending chaperone is driving students, all efforts will be made by offending chaperone to find a replacement. If none can be found, excursion might be compromised and all students may need to return to campus.

***I have read, understand, and will follow the Code of Conduct.***

**Chaperone's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chaperone's Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_