

September 2015

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Huskies team will be conducting Environmental Education labs in science class soon. So far the trip preparation is progressing at a rapid pace!

Items/ Forms due by October 2, 2015:

- _____ * FINAL PAYMENTS DUE...failure to pay may result in removal from trip
- _____ * **Form A: County Field Trip Permission Form**
- _____ * **Form B: TJMS Registration / Behavioral Contract/ Movie Permission Form**
- _____ * **Form C: Medical Information**

Trip Information:

- Leave at 6:00 a.m. on **Wednesday, October 21st** (arrive at school no later than 5:45am)
- Return at approximately at 6:00 p.m., **Friday, October 23rd.**

Things to Know:

- **Materials permitted/not permitted are included on the back of this letter.**
- Please be prepared for any type of weather.
- Only one bag per student is packed because it is a moderate walk to the cabins at Camp Don Lee.
- Students may carry a small gym bag on bus to hold electronics/money/cameras.
- **MEDICATIONS:** Placed in Gallon Ziploc with name and **MEDICINE dosing sheet. Please hand to medical personal prior to loading the bus.**
- **Food/snacks/candy/gum are not permitted** on the bus or in the cabins.
- **ELECTRONICS:** Students may bring DS players, personal radios, I-Pods, MP3, and electronic players.
Please ensure your name is on all items. Bring them in a gallon sized Ziploc baggy with your child's name on them. They will be collected and packed up for storage once we reach the camp. Students will get them back when we board the buses to return home.
- **CELL PHONES:** I **respectfully** ask that you support **NO CELL PHONES** on our trip. There are a few reasons I feel strongly that the students should not bring the phones on the trip.
 - 1) **Safety:** this prevents any issues of students having pictures taken and posted of themselves by others that they wish not being shared.
 - 2) prevents students from texting and meeting up with others during night hours
 - 3) forces the students to spend time talking to each other rather than becoming wrapped up in their phones
 - 4) prevents loss/damage of items during trip
 - 5) levels playing field for those students that do not have phones
 - 6) limited cell tower access in area that we are staying anyway
 - 7) in case of emergency, all adults have cell phones for parent contact
 - 8) school sponsored trip, so school rules still apply. School rule is to not have cell phones on during instruction.
 - 9) not enough outlets to charge, overloading minimal outlets may lead to power outage in cabins.
 - 10)The office will be able to contact the teachers if you have an emergency.**When we arrive at CAMP DON LEE, all electronics, INCLUDING CELL PHONES will be collected and locked up for security and safety reasons. Students caught with cell phones after we collect them at camp, will receive disciplinary action upon return.**
- The Team **PROMISES** to send out **REMIND101** texts at each meal to keep you updated on our activities.
(Be sure you have signed up with Mrs. Pace for **REMIND101** before we go to camp)
- **MONEY:** As far as money is concerned, students are advised to bring at the most \$30.00. They will need to have enough to buy breakfast on the first day. The students can buy snacks at the camp during free time.
- Also, students will not be released to **ANYONE** during the trip unless prior arrangements have been made with, Mrs. LeMay. These requests need to be in writing and in our files by **October 5,2015.**

Camp Don Lee

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(See back for the packing list)

PACKING LIST:

- Please pack only the things on the list or that have been assigned. Other items must be cleared through the teacher.
- Please include 2 plastic bags for packing wet clothing on the return trip.
- Please check appropriateness of what your child has packed. Remember that layers of clothing, are warmer and can be removed if needed.
- Pack for all kinds of weather...warm, cold, or wet. Be sure your child has selected clothes that are designed to get dirty.
- Expect your child to come home dirty and pack accordingly!
- Students are responsible for making sure they have packed all their belongings for their return trip home.
- Might be a good idea to have your name on items!

The following items are recommended for the 3 day program:

Clothing

4 pairs of jeans or slacks (nylon best)
4 T-shirts, shirts
1 or 2 sweat shirts
1 sweater
1 jacket
4 sets of underclothes
2 pairs of shoes (flat, close-toed sneakers)
Flip- flops for shower
1 pair old shoes that can get wet (not flip-flops or crocs)
4 pairs of socks
1 raincoat
Shorts (school dress code please!)
hat
swimsuit: girls- one piece only
 boys-no speedos

Linens

Twin bed sheets or sleeping bag
Pillow
Bath Towels and washcloth
Towel to use at beach/water activities

Wash Kit

Toothbrush
Toothpaste
Brush and Comb
Deodorant
Soap
Shampoo

Other items

Flashlight and batteries
Bug spray/sunscreen
Water Bottle (to fill at dining hall)
2(two) plastic bags for damp clothes
large trash bag to carry dirty clothing from beach
POSITIVE ATTITUDE!!
Sunglasses (optional)
Band-Aids (in case you get blisters)

You may bring

Camera and film
Binoculars
I-Pods/ MP3/DS players
(you must have headphones)
Hair dryer (optional)

Please do not bring: Cell phones, Expensive jewelry, valuables, knives, food, gum/candy, flat irons, curlers or fireworks

