

Palmyra Middle School Outdoor Education Program 2019-2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

By this time you may have heard about our 7th grade Outdoor Education Program. This is the 40th year of camp. Even though it is many months away, extensive planning is already taking place to ensure its continued success. It is a wonderful program for our students!

Part of the plan includes a visit to Camp Swatara in the fall. Students can then compare the differences between this time of the year and the spring season. They will also be oriented to the camp and its facilities during this trip. I hope that this field trip will begin to make the students more aware of their surroundings and more sensitive to the interdependence of all things in nature. **For more information about the spring program please plan to attend the parent orientation program on Tuesday, November 5th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Middle School Auditorium.**

We plan to visit Camp Swatara on **Wednesday, October 16th** for the **Mountain Week** and **Thursday, October 17th** for the **Stream Week**. This year the Mountain Fall Field Trip consists of the Rocket's team and Shark's homerooms of Mr. Binkley & Mrs. Hitz. The Stream Fall Field Trip consists of the Timberwolve's team and Shark's homerooms of Mrs. Baer & Mr. Cotchen.

The students will come to school at the normal time on their field trip day. The buses will leave the school at 9:00 a.m. and will return around 2:15 p.m. Comfortable and appropriate clothing (no skirts) and shoes for that day's weather should be worn. **Students must bring a bag lunch with a drink. Please do not send any glass bottles or containers with your child. If your child has any medical needs while on the fall field trip please contact me directly. Mrs. Stroup (the school nurse) and myself work closely together to support any medical needs.**

I am looking forward to an enjoyable and educational fall trip. Please sign the field trip permission slip below. In addition, please sign and return the green paper indicating that you have read the information packet. Return **both** the blue and green - signed papers to your child's morning homeroom teacher by **Wednesday, September 25th**.

Thank you,

Michelle Waiter
Outdoor Education Director

Please return only bottom portion of this paper

I give my permission for my son/daughter to attend the field trip to Camp Swatara on:

_____ 10/16 Mountain FFT (Rockets & Shark HR's of Mr. Binkley & Mrs. Hitz)

_____ 10/17 Stream FFT (Timberwolves & Sharks HR's of Mrs. Baer & Mr. Cotchen)

Student's Name (PRINT) _____ HR _____

Parent's/Guardian's Signature _____

Daytime phone # _____

Please list any medical needs/concerns for the day of the field trip _____
