



West Fallowfield Christian School

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To Parents of 2019 - 2020 Middle School Students
From Robbie Martin, Principal
Re Outdoor Education at Black Rock Retreat
Date May 2019

There are those aspects of a school curriculum that are best learned in settings outside the classroom. When studying air, water, soil, sun, stars, animal habitats, streams, ponds, and plants, one easily recognizes the value of hands-on experiences that are explored together under the direction of qualified staff. The integration of nature and Christian faith is also a positive aspect of outdoor education.

Over the past 24 years, WFCS middle school students have participated in Black Rock Retreat's Outdoor School conducted at their Kirkwood location. Starting with this upcoming 2019-2020 school year, all three middle school classes (6, 7 and 8) will be participating in the Outdoor Education experience. Each class attends on regular school days from noon on Monday to Wednesday afternoon, September 23-25 (including 2 overnights). The experiences have been enthusiastically supported in the past by staff and students alike. Please indicate your permission and support below and return the slip to the school office by July 31st.

Because additional cost is involved, we suggest students use the summer months to earn money for their support. We like this idea because it fosters ownership in the Outdoor Education Program. WFCS organizes transportation and arranges for volunteer parent chaperones. Students cover the \$155.00 fee for lodging, supplies, and food. Chaperones will have their way paid.

Fathers and mothers are needed to chaperone. If you have additional questions, please give us a call.

_____ We support the Outdoor School as we understand it.

_____ We have reservations/questions about the program and would like to talk to the Principal this summer.

_____ I want to be considered as a full-time chaperone (Monday-Wednesday). (Required minimum of 3-4 per grade).

_____ I want to be considered as an overnight chaperone only. (Overnight chaperones are required to be there only in the evenings as an additional adult chaperone in a cabin.)

Parent's Name

Phone Number