

FIELD TRIP PERMISSION
Pi Beta Phi Elementary
2019-2020

Student _____ Homeroom _____

Parents: Throughout the school year, your child will have opportunities to participate in appropriate field trips that are planned to coordinate with your child's learning experiences in the classroom. Field trips are very important in providing students more comprehensive educational experiences. Field trips do require a considerable amount of planning, communication and coordination in order to be a successful learning experience.

1. CLOTHING/WEATHER

Students must follow the clothing policies of the Sevier County Board of Education. Additionally, students must dress appropriately for the weather and for the particular location. For example, if a field trip involves hiking in the Smokies, sandals will not be permissible; therefore, the student would have to remain at school.

2. PICNIC LUNCH

Most field trips require that the student take a picnic lunch. A picnic lunch can be provided/purchased from the cafeteria if it is requested the day before the trip.

3. DISCIPLINE/RULES

All school rules must be followed. Students who have a pattern/history of inappropriate behavior will not be permitted to go on a field trip and will have to remain at school. Generally speaking, students who misbehave on one trip are not permitted to go on future trips.

4. TRANSPORTATION

School buses are used on most field trips. However, with the school located in the center of Gatlinburg, walking is very common as long as the weather and distances permit this method.

5. COSTS

Each family is requested to make a donation towards field trip expenses. Field trip donation requests are kept as low as possible in order for all students to participate in the planned activities.

6. CHAPERONES

It is the responsibility of the teacher to identify and to recruit the numbers of desired chaperones. In some cases the number of willing parents to chaperone exceeds the actual need; in this situation, some parents will be asked by the teacher to assist with another field trip. The school follows a chaperone/volunteer policy as indicated in the student's planner and outlined by the Sevier County Board of Education Policies.

7. HEALTH/EMERGENCY

It is very important that emergency information be available on the field trip as well as other activities that occur on the school grounds. Please keep all emergency information current in the school reception office along with phone numbers and names of other individuals whom you have authorized to act on your behalf if the school is unable to reach you.

8. INFORMATION ABOUT THE FIELD TRIP

Your child's teacher will provide communication of the particulars of each field trip. The information will contain items such as date/time of field trip, purpose of the trip, related costs and donation request, lunch plans, required/suggested clothing, and other pertinent information. If you have a concern about the information, please communicate your concerns to the classroom teacher via email, telephone call, or appointment. All field trip information will be sent home by the student.

9. USE OF PHONE FOR FORGOTTEN ITEMS

Your child will not be permitted to use the phone to call the parent to bring forgotten items such as money, appropriate clothes, or other required items. If your child does not meet the requirements for the trip on the morning of the field trip, he/she will remain at school.

I have read the field trip information stated above. I understand that the teacher will send related information about the field trips with the student. If the parent desires to have a copy of this form, please advise the homeroom teacher.

Check only one: () I give permission for my child to go on field trips throughout the 2018-2019 school year.

() I do not give permission for my child to go on field trips throughout the 2018-2019 school year.

Signature of Parent: _____ **Date** _____

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