

October 11, 2010

Dear Parents of CJMS 6th Grade Students,

Plans are proceeding for your child to participate in a unique, memory-making, three-day, two-night outdoor education adventure! Dr. Chase's/Mrs. Knox's World Studies 6 students are scheduled to spend three days at Summit Lake Center in Emmitsburg, MD from Monday, Nov. 15 through Wednesday, Nov. 17. Mrs. Troupos' World Studies 6 classes and Sp. Needs students follow beginning Wednesday, Nov. 17, returning Friday, Nov. 19.

The cost of this program is \$83.50 per child. This includes the base cost of \$76 for site use, bus transportation, food services, and evening snacks. The additional \$7.50 covers additional instructional/recreational supplies. The attached permission form together with **CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO CABIN JOHN MIDDLE SCHOOL** should be turned into the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Team Room (room 220) before first period by Wed. Nov. 3.

All students are expected to share in this vital component of the MCPS 6<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum. We believe no child should be deprived of the experience for monetary reasons. If the cost imposes a financial hardship on any family, arrangements may be made for scholarships by contacting our counselor, Mrs. Bishow, at 469-1160.

**Medication** needs should be noted on the attached **MCPS Form 525-13**. *Prescribed medication* requires that Part I be signed by the parent and Part II must be completed and signed by a physician. *General over-the-counter medications* are not available at Summit Lake. Therefore, please anticipate the need for and supply such meds. (e.g., Tylenol or Benadryl.) These items must be delivered to CJMS Health Room in sealed, unopened containers along with MCPS Form 525-13 (Parts I and II completed and signed by parent only.) Meds. and forms are due in the CJMS Health Room by **Friday, Nov. 12**. If you have any questions call Ms. McCabe, the school nurse, at 301-469-1158. (EpiPen users should submit the permission form downloadable from the Outdoor Education website which is linked to the CJMS site.)

**All Outdoor Education information is available on the CJMS Website:**

<http://www.mcps.k12.md.us./schools/cabinjohnms/> (For additional information go to the MCPS homepage, type "outdoor education" in the search box and follow the links.)

Sincerely,  
CJMS Team 6

P.S. On or about Wednesday, Nov. 3 students will receive additional written information to share with parents pertaining to departure and arrival procedures.

Attachments: Equipment List, Permission Form, and Medical Form

Approval \_\_\_\_\_

Dr. Paulette L. Smith, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Administrator,  
Cabin John Middle School