

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

The end of the year trip for the seventh grade class will be at Backbone State Park on Tuesday, June 4th. We will depart from school by bus at approximately 8:00 AM and return by 2:40 PM. Students are welcome to bring their own lunch; however, we will be grilling hamburgers and hotdogs. We will also provide bottled water, chips, and fruit. Students/parents are welcome to provide additional food to share with the whole group. We are asking that parents/guardians help provide desserts for the trip. Please notify Ms. Nuhanovic if you are willing to donate.

Our central location will be at the beach lodge and surrounding area. Activities include hiking, fishing, a variety of sports and games. Additionally, there will be a variety of indoor activities available such as video games, movies, escape room, and more. Students may bring fishing equipment (license required for people 16 years and up) and sports equipment (soccer balls, kites, footballs, baseballs and gloves, volleyball, frisbees, etc.). Students will be responsible for their own possessions. If your student brings fishing equipment be sure that they have removed any fishing knives or scissors from their gear. Fishing will be catch and release.

Students should wear appropriate clothing that can get dirty. Consider a hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, bug spray and tennis shoes. If your student will be hiking, make sure they wear tennis shoes. Students may bring their phones at their own risk. No adults will be responsible for electronic devices.

All school rules will apply on this trip. Students are expected to follow rules and all adult instructions. If a student is unable to follow these expectations parents will be called and expected to pick up their child at the beach lodge. If you are concerned that your student may have difficulty following expectations, you are encouraged to keep your child home for the day.

Students who miss the bus to Backbone that morning will be asked to call home and have a parent pick them up for the day or spend the day in the Bear Den.

We have rented the beach lodge and will have activities for students in case of rain. Feel free to contact Mrs. Sullivan or Mr. Martinez about weather inquiries.