



February 12, 2009

Dear 6th Grade Parents,

We are looking forward to a wonderful camping experience with your child. We know that the trip will be more fun and educational if the kids maintain the excellent behavior they have shown so far this year.

Soon we will be meeting with the 6th graders to discuss our expectations for their behavior, and we will also be describing some possible consequences for those who choose to misbehave. We would like you to be aware of our expectations as well.

Please go over this handout with your child. When you have read it, please sign the bottom, and make sure your child also signs. **WITHOUT A SIGNED BEHAVIOR AGREEMENT, YOUR CHILD WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO GO.** Please return the bottom portion **NO LATER THAN Friday, March 6.** If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact one of us.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours truly,
Mr. Snapp
Mrs. Dawkins, and
Mrs. Cappellano

Behavior and Discipline

Proper behavior will be crucial in ensuring that everyone, adults and students alike, has a fun, safe, educational trip. The Baywood Code will be in effect.

1. This is a study trip. Our first priority is to learn.
2. We will treat everyone with courtesy and respect.
3. We will cooperate with everyone.
4. We will be careful.
5. We will take care of the camp's facilities, the cabins, each others' stuff, the kayaks, the buses, etc.

Consequences

The consequences for students who misbehave will primarily consist of **time-outs**. The first infraction might result in only a five-minute time-out, the second time-out might be ten minutes, then 30, etc.

If a child accumulates several time-outs, or misbehaves severely, he or she will be given a **suspension**. The first suspension will be from an activity. **The second will result in the student being sent home.**

Other consequences will depend on the nature of the infraction. For instance, if a student is late for kitchen duty, he/she may be given extra kitchen duty. If a student litters, she/he may spend some time cleaning up the camp.

Child's Behavior Agreement

Behavior Expectations

On the Bus:

1. Stay in your seat, sitting on your bottom. No standing up, and no leaning into the aisles.
2. No switching seats.
3. Students *may* be assigned seats.
4. Keep your area clean. We will not get off the bus until it is clean and all trash is picked up.

At Camp Ocean Pines:

1. **NO RUNNING IN CAMP!!!!!!!!!!**
2. Always wear shoes. **NO BARE FEET!**
3. Stay within the boundaries as specified by the camp staff.
4. Do what the adults tell you without arguing, rolling your eyes, whining, etc. Be courteous and polite to everyone.
5. No teasing other kids, insulting them, making fun of them, etc.
6. **NO PRANKS.**
7. Use good table manners when eating.
 - Don't talk in overly loud voices.
 - Don't reach in front of people to grab food. Instead say, "Please pass the potatoes," and wait for the food to be passed.
 - Don't chew with your mouth open, or talk with food in your mouth.
 - Say "Please," "Thank You," and "You're Welcome."
8. No littering. Pick up any litter you see even if it's not yours.

9. Be safe!
10. No roughhousing or other rowdy behavior, **including being too loud.**
11. No gum.
12. No food in cabin. No drinks, other than water.
13. Don't be late for meals or programs.
14. No rock throwing.
15. No shell or animal collecting.
16. Students may not bring cell phones.
17. No electronics – Nintendo DS, Ipods, MP3 players, etc.
18. No video cameras. Digital cameras are fine, but should not be used to take videos.
19. The camp phone is off-limits unless approved and supervised by Mr. Snapp, Mrs. Dawkins, or Mrs. Cappellano.
20. Stay out of restricted areas.
21. Keep the cabins and restrooms clean.
22. Don't put anything in the toilets except toilet paper.
23. Between lights-out time at night (probably 9:30) and wakeup time in the morning (7:30) students are to be quiet and stay in their cabins. If you can't sleep at night, lay still. If you wake up early, lay still and don't talk to anyone.
24. Stay out of other people's cabins.
25. Showers are limited to one quick (three-minute) shower per day.
26. **No boy/girl "romantic stuff",
INCLUDING SPREADING
RUMORS!!!**

Parents and Students: Please sign this portion and return it to school

no later than Friday, March 6, 2009

We, the undersigned, have read and discussed the behavior expectations. We understand them. We understand the possible consequences if they are not followed.

Student's signature: _____

Parent(s)' signature: _____