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Cari Mineard
Principal

Dear 6th Grade Families,

I am writing to provide advance notice of some important information about the Outdoor Education Program, commonly called "6th Grade Camp." It is an important program that combines the Ohio Academic Content Standards and a rich outdoor, camping experience. Orchard has conducted a Camp program for more than 40 years.

Once again, camp will be held at the Mohican Outdoor School near Mansfield, OH. Basic information about the Camp is provided below. Additional information will be provided on January 10th at an important parent orientation meeting.

- The curriculum, instruction and student experiences are aligned to state standards and are designed specifically to enhance student learning of the standards.
- Mohican offers a highly qualified, full-time staff of professionally and specifically trained teachers who lead and support our teachers in the implementation of an Outdoor Education Program.
- Campfires, songs, storytelling, and other programming are also part of the program.
- Total cost per student will be \$255. This price includes: all programming, all meals, two nights of dorm-style lodging.
- Return all forms to your child's homeroom teacher and remit payment for \$255 through EZpay by **Friday, March 1st.** Students with incomplete forms will not be permitted to participate in the program.
- Families that are experiencing financial hardship should contact the principal for a scholarship application.

2019 Camp Schedule

Dates	Teams - Homeroom	Directors
May 13-15	6B and 6C: Perez, Ames, Harford, Sato, Gorby and Bonacci	Miss Ivons/Miss Webb
May 15-17	6A and 6D: Griffin, Reisner, Sheppard, Ours, Ivons, Young and Elliott	Miss Ivons/Miss Webb

An important parent orientation meeting will be held on January 10th at 7 p.m. in the Orchard Band Room. This is the only orientation session offered.

Forms to Complete and Return:

- Camp Permission Slip – attached (due 1/15/19)

The following will be sent home on Tuesday, January 22nd to be completed by those attending the Outdoor Education Program to be returned by March 1st, 2019:

- Mohican Forms
 - Registration
 - Health Information
 - Request for Assistance in the Administration of Prescription Medication and Non-Prescription Medication (include photo)
- Special Dietary Needs Form
- Mohican Outdoor Adventures (canoeing) Permission Slip
- Copy of Insurance Card (both front and back)

Use the following links to gain additional information:

<https://www.mohicanoutdoorschool.org/>

In this packet of information, we have included a packing list for your planning and additional information about the camp. In addition, these forms will be posted on the Orchard Website. If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Cari Mineard
Principal