OUTDOOR SCHOOL PACKET

March 1, 2019



Dear Parent or Guardian.

Your child is invited to be part of an amazing experience this year in sixth grade. Our entire sixth grade class, teachers and high school counselors will embark on a wonderful and enriching Outdoor School experience at Camp Collins in Troutdale, Oregon.

Students will participate in hands-on lessons about plants and trees, soil, water, animals, survival and more. Campers can look forward to a nightly campfire as well. Meals are served in a dining hall and provide delicious kid-friendly choices, as well as options for special diets.

We will depart Wood Middle School at 9:30 a.m. on May 21 and return to school approximately 1 p.m. on May 24. The cost for this experience is \$155 per student -- payments may be made online or in person at the school office. Your child already has information about fundraising through cookie dough sales to help lessen the expense. Additionally, scholarships are available as necessary so that finances should never be a reason a student does not participate.

Students will sleep in cabins with 10 to 14 other students and trained high school counselors. Camp Collins staff and Wood Middle School teachers will be present at camp all four days.

This packet contains much of the information necessary to get your child ready to attend. Additional copies of the paperwork can be found on the Wood Middle School website. (www.wlwv.k12.or.us/iwms) You can help ensure your child's success by returning the following completed forms to his or her 2nd period teacher:

- Agreement to Participate
- Camp Collins Health History Form
- Medication Form (available on school website, if needed)

Medications (both prescription and non-prescription) must be turned in to the Wood Middle School office in their original containers prior to camp. A nurse will be present at camp the entire time to ensure safe administration of medications.

In order to ensure a positive experience for everyone, Camp Collins requires students to follow certain rules of safety and respect. Students who are unable to follow these rules will be sent home.

- Listen and follow directions at all times.
- Stay with their group at all times, and never go off alone
- Hands and body must be kept to self
- Respect the property of others
- Put-downs and bullying are not tolerated at camp

A parent information night will be held in the Wood Middle School library on March 13 at 6 p.m. in order to answer additional questions you may have. Also, it can be helpful to view the Camp Collins website. (www.ymcacw.org/camps/ymca-camp-collins)

Please contact your child's second period teacher for any questions you have at this time. We look forward to having everyone join us for this fun and educational week.

Sincerely,

Wood Middle School 6th Grade Teaching Staff