SPRING FLING 2019- FINAL DETAILS

***READ ALL THIS INFORMATION SO YOU ARE FULLY INFORMED ABOUT TRIP DETAILS ***

Camp Information: Rockbridge Alum Springs <u>http://sites.younglife.org/camps/Rockbridge/default.aspx</u> Camp Phone #: 540-997-9276 Fax: 540-997-0042 (MESSAGES GET TO KIDS PRETTY QUICKLY) Camp Manager on duty cell (After business hours for emergencies only) – 540-290-1539

Camp balances and the parental permission forms should be in, if not please fill out ASAP. Thanks to all who have made donations to the scholarship fund this year. If you would still like to donate, there is always a need. Thanks for considering this.

Departure details:

UPON ARRIVAL, MAKE SURE SOMEONE CHECKS YOUR NAME OFF THAT MORNING We will meet at **THE UPPER SCHOOL** Monday March 25th at **6:00 am** to depart by 7am. Return will be between 7-8pm on March 28 at the **UPPER SCHOOL** Campus.

*** You will drop off your luggage by the charter buses on March 25th Make sure it gets by the proper boy or girl designated luggage bus,
NOT necessarily the bus you ride. This will help as we unload at camp

We would prefer you DO NOT eat on the bus. They have been left MESSY in the past.

-BE AT SCHOOL AT 6:00am ON MONDAY MORNING.

<u>CHECK IN</u> right away when you arrive Use the bathroom – No stops will be made, as there are bathrooms on buses, except lunch stop. Drop any medications with Mrs. Cowart or Mrs. Beall ***The faster you check in the sooner we get to camp*** Ride on the bus you signed up for Do not ride in cars unless we have designated that car for student riders with a cleared driver.

-IMPORTANT - BRING SHEETS (or sleeping bag)

2 twin or a twin and a fitted is best for packing space Camp will provide a blanket and pillow for each bed

Questions?

Call Mr. Brophy at Work 410-519-5300 x2129 Cell- 443-591-0335 Or email <u>pbrophy@aacsonline.org</u>

For last minute issues that come after the last day of school before the trip -Mrs. Beall at 410-948-8552 (still in Annapolis) Mr. Brophy (c) 443-591-0335 or email <u>pbrophy@aacsonline.org</u> Mr. Hansen (c) 443-333-0050

<u>***IMPORTANT***</u> If something comes up and you won't be coming, contact Mr. Brophy or Mrs. Beall immediately. Mr Brophy will be at camp as of Sunday morning March 24.

PACKING

WHAT TO BRING

1 suitcase or duffel bag
Label all your items, people have lost entire bags
1 carry on (needs to fit on the bus with you)
Twin bed sheets (Camp bed has pillow & blanket)
Sheets fit better in packing than sleeping bags
Bathroom supplies (towel, toothbrush, soap, etc)
Clothes for warm or cold weather (Temp. between 40-80)
Tennis shoes, maybe 2 pair
Jacket/sweatshirts
Spending \$ for meal down & back
At least 2 pair of grubby play clothes (One dark color)
***Bathing suit and towel (one piece please)

OPTIONAL ITEMS

Extra \$ for gift shop & snack bar Bag or pillow case for dirty clothes Camera Bible Snacks Hat/ Sunglasses Non Electronic Games Flashlight Sports stuff Fishing stuff Playing Cards

NOTE – DO NOT bring any items to skate on, it is not allowed at camp

PLEASE DO NOT BRING- (Not even for the bus ride) ****

Any Electronics Device. Only cell phones with the guidelines below.

OTHER ITEMS TO LEAVE HOME- Any tobacco item, alcohol, drugs, fireworks, lighters, pocket knives, road flares, duct tape, laser pointers, ...

Helpful hint- Anything you are thinking "this shouldn't come", probably shouldn't come(Meaning any item you would not let Mr. Brophy or Mr. Hansen see or use with you)

****ELECTRONICS POLICY****

No one has ever been heard saying, "Spring Fling would have been better if I only had my phone to be on Instagram, or play games, or listen to music. Rather, one of the comments we hear frequently from kids about why they LOVE camp is because it's the only 4 days of the year when they are not attached to their phones. Kids are able to leave their technology behind and spend time having fun with friends face to face. Additionally, be aware that cell coverage is so poor in the valley where camp is located that many phones are almost useless anyways. We also cannot assure the security of phones if they are left unattended or charging. *It is our preference, therefore, that iPads/gaming* systems/etc. be left home and NOT brought on the trip. That said, we do understand that many parents want their kids to have phones in case of emergency. We also understand that kids will, at times, want to use their phones to take pictures. So, we won't prohibit phones from being brought on the trip, but we encourage kids to leave them behind or give them to Mr. Brophy or Mr. Hansen or Mrs. Beall at camp for safe keeping when not needed for pictures. At all other times phones should be away and out of sight. If we see a student who is repeatedly defaulting to using his/her phone, we do reserve the right to take the phone. We believe in the relational nature of the Spring Fling camp experience, and want to protect kids from losing any of that experience by being tied to their phone. Parents - There are phones at camp where kids can call you and check in. They can also find adult volunteers or staff and ask to use their phones as well. The camp phone number is at the top of this form and they do a good job of getting us messages. If there is an emergency, we will get word to your child as quickly as possible.

THANK YOU ALL IN ADVANCE FOR FOLLOWING THIS REQUEST. IT MAKES FOR A BETTER TRIP.