

May 15, 2026

Dear Rising Fifth Grade Parents,

The fifth grade class trip to [Cedar Ridge](#) outside Louisville will take place from Thursday, September 3 until Friday afternoon, September 4. We have wonderful outdoor and team-building activities planned for our fifth graders, and I am looking forward to sharing this opportunity to learn and explore together. Our chaperones and I are excited to take your student on this special trip.

Each year, we look for meaningful opportunities to extend our curriculum and help students connect with the world around them. This year, our fifth graders will be visiting Cedar Ridge Camp, a local outdoor education center located just outside of Louisville. Cedar Ridge offers outdoor education programs for schools, along with team-building experiences in a beautiful natural setting. This trip gives students the chance to learn through hands-on experiences, spend time outdoors, and participate in activities that encourage teamwork and connection. It is a wonderful opportunity for our fifth graders to bond as a group, build confidence, and start the year feeling connected and excited.

Students should arrive Thursday, September 3, at normal dropoff time. Prior to our departure, we will get the students together and go over what to expect on our first day together. We will head to Cedar Ridge Thursday morning.

We will spend the majority of our two days together exploring this beautiful property and engaging in the activities provided by Cedar Ridge. In addition, there will be games, dancing, an evening bonfire, and other activities for the students to enjoy.

To recap, our fun begins on Thursday, September 3. We will return in the afternoon of Friday, September 4.

While your tuition payment covers the entire cost of the trip, a parent's signature on the forms represents a student's commitment to participate and also confirms that the school will pay for your child's activities. Please help us plan by submitting materials relating to the Cedar Ridge trip (**permission slip, ropes course consent form, and medications form**) no later than Friday, August 21. Digital copies of these forms will be sent out via email on August 3rd. A physical copy of the [High Ropes and Low Ropes Release form](#) will be sent home on the first day of school with your student. Parents should fill out and sign the form and return to Ms. Lauritzen by Friday, August 21.

We are really looking forward to this special trip with our 5th graders and know it will be a meaningful experience filled with learning and great memories for the Class of 2034. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 254-1361 extension 415, or rcarter@sayreschool.org. There will be an information meeting for parents of fifth graders on Thursday, August 27 at 8:15am in the KUA in Sayre library.

Quick Facts:

ALL FORMS DUE: Friday, August 21

MEETING DATE: Thursday, August 27 at 8:15am

DEPARTURE: Thursday, September 3

RETURN: Friday, September 5 (precise time TBA, but by regular dismissal time)

Sincerely,

Becky Carter, Trip Coordinator & Lead Chaperone

Kristin Seymour, Head of Middle School