



6th Grade Outdoor Education Program at Cal-Wood Education Center

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Mapleton Public Schools is excited to offer our 6th grade students an immersive outdoor education experience at Cal-Wood Education Center in Jamestown, Colorado (about 15 miles northwest of Boulder). This program aligns with our curriculum in science, social studies, and social-emotional learning, focusing on environmental stewardship, team-building, and hands-on activities like nature hikes, ecology investigations, and exploring historical sites.

The trip is a 3-day, 2-night overnight stay with students staying in heated cabins. Activities promote curiosity, personal growth, and peer bonding in a safe, inclusive environment. District-provided school bus transportation will be used to and from the site, with trained staff chaperones (up to 9 per group) ensuring safety and supporting diverse needs.

Important Notes:

- November 2nd-4th, We leave the morning of the 2nd and return the afternoon of the 4th.
- Packing list Included (e.g., weather-appropriate clothing, reusable water bottle, sunscreen).
- A separate permission and release form from Cal-Wood will also be required for your signature, covering their specific policies and liability.

Emergency Contact (if parent/guardian unavailable)

Student Name: _____

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

Permissions and Authorizations By signing below, I confirm:

1. **Permission to Participate:** I give permission for my child to participate in the 6th grade outdoor education program at Cal-Wood, including all scheduled activities, overnight stays, and meals.
2. **Transportation Permission:** I authorize my child to travel to and from Cal-Wood via district-provided school bus.
3. **Medical Permission:** In the event of an emergency or illness, I authorize Mapleton Public Schools staff or chaperones to approve and obtain necessary medical treatment for my child, including transportation to a medical facility if needed. I understand that every effort will be made to contact me or the emergency contact first, and I agree to cover any associated costs not paid by insurance.

I have read and understand the information provided. I acknowledge that while safety measures are in place, outdoor activities involve inherent risks, and the district follows Colorado governmental immunity laws for liability protection.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

***Return Deadline:** Please return this signed form to your child's school by October 9th. For questions, contact your school's administrator. Thank you for supporting this enriching growth experience!*