

## El Sobrante Christian Junior High School

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**2018-2019**

## **OUTDOOR EDUCATION**

It's that time of year again, the time when we start planning our Outdoor Science Camp. This year we will be traveling to Mt. Hermon located in the Santa Cruz Mountains. The camp is privately owned by Mt. Hermon Christian Camps.

Outdoor Science Camp is a four-day "field trip" we do each year with the sixth through eighth grade students. During the Camp students can view rare sand hills habitat distinct to this area. Throughout the week naturalists will unfold for the students this diverse coastal mountain region, including creek research, redwood forest communities, animal identification and tracking, night hikes, habitat restoration and more. It provides an unparalleled setting for study, learning, and exploration. It is a wonderful time to learn about God's creation in an outdoor setting.

Each day is jammed packed with fun and exciting events, as well as educational activities. All students are expected to attend since it is a part of our science curriculum. If there is any reason why you feel your child cannot go, please contact us as soon as possible.

We don't want anyone to miss this awesome week! It is a great time for the students to better get to know each other and their teachers. This week also offers a great opportunity for spiritual growth.

Now, here is the bottom line!! This is important stuff, so you need to write it down and put it somewhere where you won't lose it.

**Trip Date: September 18-21 (Tue-Friday)      Total Cost of Trip: \$350**

An initial deposit of \$87.50 is due in June and 3 installments of \$87.50 each billed in July, August & September.

Since this trip is not considered to be optional, you will be automatically billed for it beginning with your June statement. The \$87.50 deposit is required so that we can secure our date with Mt. Hermon Christian Camps.

We do need several adult chaperones on this trip. Chaperones stay with the students in their cabins. Because of this, moms of daughters and dads of sons will be given priority. Chaperones **MUST** be able to attend the entire trip (Tuesday, 9/19/18-Friday, 9/22/18). **PLEASE NOTE:** The parent chaperones are responsible for their group of 5-8 students the entire week. Parent chaperones also attend classes, activities, and hikes with their student group. Students and chaperones are kept very busy for the duration of the 4-day trip. The parent chaperone role demands a high level of the parents' time and attention while at camp.

If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Nunes-Tucker at [hnunes@escschool.com](mailto:hnunes@escschool.com) for further information.

### MT. HERMON COMMITMENT

Please put a check mark next to the appropriate line and include any comments you would like to make in the indicated areas.

I have received the informational letter concerning the Mt. Hermon Outdoor Science Trip for next year and will make the payments as indicated in the letter.

I have not received any information about this trip. Please send another letter home with my child.

My child *will not* participate in this trip for the following reasons:

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I am interested in being a chaperone for this trip.

Parent name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

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Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Grade 2018-2019

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**Please return the mt. hermon commitment form by june 6<sup>th</sup>.**