

## CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG SCHOOLS CLASS TRIP STUDENT PERMISSION FORM

**Date:** February 28, 2019

Dear Parents:

A field study has been approved to **Inner Peaks Climbing Center and Junior Achievement of Central Carolinas** on **April 10th, 11th, and 12th.**

The signature of a parent/guardian is required in order to allow your child to participate in these off-campus trips. Please sign the bottom portion of this form and return it to the teacher.

In addition, please complete the required Inner Peaks waiver: <http://bit.ly/InnerPeaksJTWm>

Sincerely,

The Middle School Team

**Mode of travel:**  School/Activity Bus  Car(s)  Public transportation (CATS)

**Cost of trip:** \$ 55 students and chaperones. **Please pay by March 29<sup>th</sup> @ <https://osp.osmsinc.com/cms>**

**Time of departure from school:** 9:30 a.m. **Time of return to school:** 3:00 p.m. Each day

**Meal Information:** Meals will be eaten off campus. Please see below to select a meal option.

**Information about the field trip:** This is a leadership experience for the 7th grade students. They will be doing service work, visiting historical sites and public art downtown, and improving teamwork and leadership skills at an indoor climbing center near South End. This is a three day, non-sleepover event and your student will be returning home every night.

CMS reserves the right to cancel this trip. CMS is not responsible for any cancellation fees that may be charged by travel-agents or other services providers and will not reimburse trip participants for any monies paid to such service providers, even if CMS cancels the scheduled trip. See the attached Notice of CMS Right to Cancel Trips.

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## THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION ("CMS")

### Notice of CMS' Right to Cancel Trips

CMS sponsors and approves certain non-required field trips, including some overnight and foreign travel. The purpose of CMS approval of such non-required field trips is to assure that any such trips are part of the curriculum and to authorize excused absences from school for both students and CMS staff. **CMS does not assume any financial responsibility for non-required field trips.**

**Trip participants, not CMS, pay for non-required trips.**

CMS administration reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel or postpone all CMS-sponsored field trips and related travel with no advance notice. By way of example, and not limitation, CMS may cancel all field trips and travel in the event of an act of terrorism or war or the threat of an act of terrorism or war.

- When the Homeland Security threat advisory is a Code Red (Severe) status, all foreign and domestic travel for CMS will be postponed, including foreign students traveling to CMS.
- When the Homeland Security threat advisory is Orange (high) or Yellow (elevated), CMS staff and parents will determine their participation in the scheduled foreign or domestic trip, including students traveling to CMS.

Travel agents and other providers of travel-related services typically require nonrefundable deposits that are retained by the service provider if a trip is cancelled. **CMS is not responsible for any such cancellation fees charged by service providers and will not reimburse trip participants for any monies paid to such service providers, even if CMS cancels the scheduled trip.**

CMS recommends that all trip participants review all travel-related contracts and make sure they understand their possible financial risks and obligations. Travel-related contracts for these non-required field trips typically should be signed by the PTAs, Booster Clubs or individual parents that pay for the trip. In appropriate circumstances, with approval of the Superintendent, CMS can be a party to the travel-related contracts; however, CMS will do so only if the contracts specifically state that any cancellation fees are the responsibility of the individual trip participants, not CMS, even if CMS administration cancels the trip.

\*\*\*\*COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS PAGE BY MARCH 29.\*\*\*\*

I have read and understand the trip description.

I have read and understand the attached Notice of CMS' Right to Cancel Trips. I understand and agree that CMS reserves the right to cancel field trips and that CMS is not responsible for any cancellation fees that may be charged by travel-agents or other service providers, even if CMS cancels this trip. I understand that if CMS cancels this trip I may lose some or all of the money paid by, or on behalf of, my child for this trip. **I agree not to seek any financial reimbursement from CMS and I agree to indemnify and hold harmless CMS, its board members, officers, agents and employees from and against any and all claims arising out of CMS' cancellation of this trip.**

**I also agree to indemnify and hold harmless CMS, its board members, officers, agents, and employees from and against all claims, losses, costs, damages, expenses, attorneys' fees and liability that any of them may sustain (a) arising out of my child's failure to comply with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Code of Conduct, (b) arising out of any damage or injury caused by my child, or (c) arising out of my child's participation in this non-required field trip.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I give permission \_\_\_\_\_ I do not give permission

for \_\_\_\_\_ to go on these trips sponsored by Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools.  
*Student's full name*

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

**Field Study cost is \$55.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Online Payment (Preferred) Please visit <https://osp.osmsinc.com/cms> for online payments.  
*Please note that Williams is at the bottom of the Middle School section.*

**Donation:** I would like to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to help a student who is unable to pay the full cost.

In order to participate in the event at Inner Peaks, you **MUST complete the online waiver** for your child:  
<http://bit.ly/InnerPeaksJTWM>

What color is the waiver button on the website? \_\_\_\_\_

We will be eating lunch while we are off campus.

\_\_\_\_\_ My student will bring a bagged lunch from home each day.

\_\_\_\_\_ My student will purchase a bag lunch from the cafeteria prior to leaving campus each day.

**Chaperones are needed for each day of the field study.**

I can chaperone (check all that apply) April 10th \_\_\_\_\_ April 11th \_\_\_\_\_ April 12th \_\_\_\_\_

Link to Chaperone Application: <http://bit.ly/2ChaperoneWilliams>

E-mail address for chaperone information \_\_\_\_\_