

September 14, 2022

TO: All Eighth Graders and Their Parents
SUBJECT: O.J. DeJonge Middle School Eighth Grade Outdoor Education Camp
WHEN: Monday through Friday, September 19 – 23, 2022
WHERE: Grace Adventures, Upper Silver Lake, Mears, MI (873-3662)
HOW MUCH: \$200.00 – includes meals, small cabin living, facilities, activities, & evening snacks

Registration Deadline: No later than Friday, September 9, 2022. Please bring the tuition fee (make checks payable to OJ 8th Grade Camp) by Friday, September 16. If you have a problem with the deadline, see or call Mr. Schoon at 845-3810 or jschoon@lasd.net.

Philosophy: We hope to provide an outdoor experience for your child and to enhance the student/teacher relationship in a non-classroom atmosphere. Students will enjoy the benefits of cooperative learning (ten to twelve campers per cabin plus one counselor) and making new friends through participation in daily activities with cabin mates and counselors.

Program: Our program is designed to provide the students with firsthand knowledge of the outdoor world and related outdoor sporting activities. To list a few: survival training, living science, nature study, arts and crafts, canoeing, sailing, archery, unity activities, swimming, and cabin-team athletics, plus evening games and entertainment.

What To Bring: Clothing – swim gear, rain gear, several pairs of jean-type pants, a few pairs of shorts, shirts (short and long sleeve), a sweatshirt, warm jacket, tennis shoes, spare shoes or camp-type boots, several changes of underwear and socks. Don't forget washcloth, towel, soap, regular toilet articles, and a flashlight. Bedding – pillow, pillowcase, sleeping bag or blanket and sheets.

What NOT To Bring: 1) Money – none allowed or needed at camp. 2) Electronics – none. No iPods, Cell phones, speakers, etc. – leave at home and enjoy the outdoors instead.

How To Get There: Buses leave O.J. at 12:15 P.M. on Monday, September ~~19, 2022~~. Gear may be dropped off in the morning or brought with you at 11:30 A.M. to the O.J. main gym. All eighth graders will eat A lunch before heading out to Grace Adventures.

Coming Back: You will be deposited at the Auditorium Parking Lot between 1:30 and 2:00 P.M. on Friday, September 23.. **YOU MUST HAVE ARRANGEMENTS MADE TO BE PICKED UP AT THIS TIME.**

Medicine: A “nurse” is part of our staff. All medications will be collected when you arrive at camp, and all special medical attention will be handled by the nurse. The camp will supply over-the-counter medicine when needed.

**** Leave this paper at home for your parents to read, and for the telephone number and address of camp in case they need to reach you. ****

Mr. J.R. Schoon, Camp Director
Mrs. Kara Jensen, Assistant Director