

Hello Fifth Grade Families,

We are very excited for the 2018-2019 school year. Your child's teacher may have mentioned our plan for 5th grade activities this year during Kickoff Orientation. Students are invited to participate in 8 field trips throughout the year. All of the trips are correlated to our IB units of inquiry or serve as team building activities that are intended to strength our 5th grade learning community. Below is the proposed plan with tentative dates:

Activity	Tentative Dates
Time to Escape - Team Building	Thursday & Friday 8/30 and 8/31
The Breman Museum - Conflict Unit	Wednesday 9/5
Montgomery Extended Day Trip - Rebellion Unit	Monday 11/5
Federal Reserve - Economics Unit	Wednesday & Thursday 1/23 and 1/24
Zoo Atlanta - Systems Unit	Friday 2/8
Huntsville Space Camp Overnight Trip- Innovation Unit	Wednesday-Friday 3/20 - 3/22
Whole World Improv - Expression Unit	Thursday 5/2
Sparkles Skating - End of Year Team Building	Wednesday 5/15

Please note that other than Space Camp, trips with two dates listed indicate that half of the class will attend one date, and the remaining students will attend the second date. Your child's teacher will communicate which date your child will attend.

The approximate total cost for these experiences is \$400 per student. This total takes into account our anticipated fundraising and parent support through the grade level grant from PTA/PAWS. Through these initiatives, we anticipate that we can offset the cost \$100 from the actual cost of \$500 per student. In order to fund our experiences, we have developed some payment plan options for covering the costs of the activities:

- **OPTION A:** Pay the full total of \$400 by August 30th
- **OPTION B:** Pay \$50 by August 30th, pay \$150 by October 30th, pay \$200 by February 28th for a total of \$400
- **OPTION C:** Pay \$50 by the 30th of each month August - March (February is due the 28th) for a total of \$400

Attached is you will find permission slips for the first two field trips, a payment plan selection form with payment envelope attached, and a scholarship form for this year's class activities. Permission slips for subsequent field trips, as well as packing lists and arrival/departure logistics for extended day and overnight trips, will be sent home closer to the trip dates. The payment plan selection form and first cash payment should be submitted **no later than AUGUST 30th**. In the event that your family needs assistance covering all or some of the costs of the activities, please complete the attached scholarship form and submit it to your child's teacher. Additionally, if you are interested in sponsoring a student by providing a full or partial scholarship, please complete the attached form and submit it to your child's teacher. No donation is too small! As a Teasley community, our goal is to support the 5th grade class so that we can have 100% student participation. Financial restraints should not be a factor in keeping any student from participating.

As previously mentioned, the 5th grade class will be organizing several fundraisers throughout the school year to offset the costs of the class activities. It will be imperative to have parent volunteers to support those fundraising initiatives. We will provide details for those fundraisers in the coming weeks. Please be on the lookout for that information. We also plan to host an information session for all 5th grade parents where we will provide additional details for those interested in attending the overnight field trip as a chaperone. We will provide plenty of notice prior to the meeting. In order to ensure that you have all of the latest information regarding the 5th grade activities, please visit our class website: www.teasleyfifthgrade.weebly.com and join our 5th grade REMIND text group by texting @tea5th to 81010.

We hope to provide our students with the very best fifth grade experience. We look forward to all of these wonderful experiences this year. If you have any questions, please reach out to your child's teacher.

The Fifth Grade Team

Class Trip Payment

Please select your preferred payment option below and submit this form and your **CASH** payment in the attached envelope to your child's teacher **NO LATER THAN AUGUST 30th**.

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Please note that a variety of payment plans have been provided in order to provide our families with flexibility in making payments towards our activities. It is **CRITICAL** that payments are made by the due dates. We will send out reminders leading up to payment deadlines through various communication channels. **Failure to collect sufficient funds by the deadlines could result in the cancellation of a planned activity.** We will do everything that we can to raise money to assist our families, but it is a team effort. If you need financial assistance to cover all or some of the costs of the trip, PLEASE FILL OUT THE PROVIDED SCHOLARSHIP FORM. Also, if you are able to provide a full or partial donation to cover another child's activities, it would be appreciated. No donation is too small! It takes a village, and our Teasley village is one of the strongest around! Finally, please remember that behavior expectations were provided at Kickoff or on the first day of school if you were unable to attend Kickoff. Please review these expectations with your child. We would love to see every fifth grader participate in these fun and educational experiences this year. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher.

Student's Name: _____

Student's Teacher: _____

5th Grade Activities Scholarship Application

Full and partial scholarships are available to students who need financial assistance for covering the expense of our planned 5th grade activities based on the need of the student and availability of funds. Scholarships are limited to one per student. Additionally, families interested in sponsoring another child by providing a full or partial scholarship are encouraged to do so. This application is to be fully completed by a parent or guardian. Incomplete forms will be returned and may delay the process. All information will be kept confidential. Please complete and submit by AUGUST 27, 2018.

Full Name of Student: _____

Parent or Guardian Completing the Application: _____

Teacher: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ Cell Phone: (_____) _____

Email: _____

Please check one:

- Full Scholarship Request
- Partial Scholarship Request - Amount requested \$_____
- Full Scholarship Sponsorship
- Partial Scholarship Sponsorship - Amount of donation \$_____

Number of adults in household: _____ Number of children in household: _____

Is the father or guardian employed? [] No [] Yes Occupation: _____

Is the mother or guardian employed? [] No [] Yes Occupation: _____

Please state family circumstances which might help in the consideration of this application:

Parent or Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

Return this form to your child's teacher NO LATER THAN AUGUST 27, 2018.