



Audubon Center of the North Woods

A residential environmental education experience
<http://www.audubon-center.org/>



We are excited about our upcoming trip. Below is some important information regarding it. Please call if you have any questions.

Classrooms: Science Program-6th Grade Mr. Larson & Mr. Brain / Montessori E2-Ms. Carlson
Dates: Wednesday, January 23, 2013 through Friday, January 25, 2013

Departure: Students report directly to the gym when they arrive. We leave at 8:30 Wednesday, January 23, 2013, reaching the Audubon Center approximately 10:30.

Return: We will return to Crossroads at approximately 2:30, Friday, January 25, 2013. Students may be picked up along with their luggage at school or may ride their regular bus home.

Purpose: Our focus for the week will be on outdoor and experiential learning using the unique setting at the Audubon Center of the North Woods

Students will participate in:

- educational activities set within the outdoor learning environment of the North Woods (eg. birding, animal signs, hiking)
- experiential activities designed to encourage personal and group growth (eg. low ropes course, climbing wall, team building activities)

Behavior: In order to assure this trip is an enjoyable and rewarding trip for all, it is important all students demonstrate appropriate, responsible, and respectful behavior. Please note the following:

- This is an educational experience. All students will be held accountable for their learning.
- Students will be assigned to small groups supervised by an adult. Students are to stay with this group throughout the three days.
- Days are filled with activities and adventures so a good night's sleep is important for everyone. Quiet hours will be enforced from 10:00 PM to 6:30 AM
- If disciplinary action is necessary, students may be sent home at parent's expense.
- Please talk with your child and reinforce the need to display appropriate behavior.

Mail: You may send mail to your child at: Crossroads Elementary School c/o Audubon Center of the North Woods, P.O. Box 530, Sandstone, MN 55072. We will make sure to get it to them. (You may have to plan ahead and mail it before they leave.)

Phone: In the event of an **emergency**, you can contact us by calling **320-245-2648**. Identify yourself as a Crossroads parent. If you call Crossroads, they will know how to get in touch with us.

Please return the following to your child's teacher by December 17, 2012.

- Saint Paul Public Schools Field Trip Parental/Guardian Authorization Form
- Audubon Center Health Form (2 pages)
- Audubon Center Liability Release Form
- Check for \$75 written out to Crossroads Elementary School

(Payments can be made in installments as long as the total balance is paid before the date of the trip.)

Thank you for your support. Working together as teachers, parents, and student, we can make this a truly memorable trip.

Español: Si usted tiene algunas preguntas, por favor llame a Vilma Bezek en 744-4624

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