

BUCKEYE ADVENTURE

Sunday, May 19 - Tuesday, May 21, 2019

The big field trip in May is going to be a little earlier this school year, thanks to the Kalahari Waterpark Resort in Sandusky, Ohio being such a popular destination. Our usual trip dates have been gulped up by a humongous group that has made reservations for the next 5 years! We will be okay with the choice because our Iowa tests shall be completed the Friday before the excursion.

Invitees are kids from grades 4-8 attending CCA, as well as their parents and siblings. (Any student currently enrolled in grades 4-6 may attend, with or without a parent. The junior high guys and any siblings not enrolled at CCA may attend, but only if accompanied by a parent.)

Here are the details:

Transportation will be with Anderson bus company this time around. They supplied the lowest bid of several companies. Our previous experience with them was pleasant, thanks to a smooth-riding, 56-passenger vehicle with the capability to show videos.

As mentioned, the Kalahari in Sandusky will house us for two nights with nice rooms, and the second largest indoor waterpark in the country is attached to it. There is also a kid-pleasing mini-zoo on the property, as well as an arcade, ziplines, duckpin bowling, lasertag, and obstacle courses that require an extra fee.

Trippers will also visit none other than the #1 amusement park in the WORLD, Cedar Point, which boasts 18 world-class roller coasters, as well as 52 tamer rides. There is a plethora of unique shows and tons of eateries to consume our visit lasting 7 hours!

We still have another fun day to offer at Put-in-Bay village on South Bass Island on Lake Erie. The bus may have some trouble getting us to the island, so we'll take a Miller's ferry boat ride to get there. Once on land, go carts driven by parents/teachers will scoot us to Perry's Monument, and the rest of the day will be your chance to explore this island with its cave, gemstone mining, chocolate museum, world's largest geode, butterfly house, and climbing wall.

Additional visits will be to a cheesehouse, Amish petting zoo (you pet animals, not the Amish), a quick look at an Amish bakery, and possibly a look at Lehman's old-timey hardware store.

As usual, all diets are off on these trips, as we will enjoy a buffet brunch at Chalet in the Valley restaurant in appropriately-named Charm, Ohio, as well as each room getting a specialty 20-inch pizza at the Kalahari. We will also receive two monster breakfasts there. A fifteen buck allowance will be given to feed you at Cedar Point, and a buffet dinner at Ryan's Steakhouse will be offered to top things off. Each field tripper will need to bring funds to feed yourself two lunches.

With generous group rates, the trip comes to 330 bucks. A Hershey's candy sale from October through December will help to defray costs, with the final balance due the first day after we get back from Christmas break.

Nonrefundable fifty-dollar-per-person deposits will be accepted starting the first day of the school year, Aug. 29th. There will be a two-week window to make this deposit. Send checks (payable to CCA), money orders, or large bills to Mr. T's room to ensure your fun trip!