

5 April 2016

To the parents of Ninth Grade Biology Students:

We are planning our annual biology trip to Drey Land, a wilderness field station south of Salem, Missouri, for the ninth grade Biology students. Although the camp is oriented toward biological sciences, with emphasis on the ecology of the forest and stream communities, other activities will be included and carefully supervised in this "School-in-the-Wilderness." **We will divide the class into two sessions each leaving J.B.S. at 8:00 a.m. and returning around 4:00 p.m. The sessions will depart as follows: the first leaves Sunday, May 8 and returns on Wednesday, May 11; the second session leaves Wednesday, May 11 and returns on Saturday, May 14.** Accompanying this letter is (1) a list of required equipment for Drey Land and (2) a permission slip and health form to be signed by you and a student pledge to be signed by your student and you. The permission slip should be returned with your child to his Biology teacher as soon as possible.

All camp activities are required except for the float trip. If you do not want your son or daughter participating in the float trip, please note your objection on the attached permission slip. If there are any special physical or medical circumstances that we should be aware of (medication being taken, serious allergies, recent surgery, physical limitations, etc.), please describe them on the permission sheet.

We will have a nurse, Janet Sudekum, with us for the entire week. The school has also made arrangements with Salem physicians for medical services should any be needed. Your signature will allow us to use their services in any emergency which may arise.

The cost for transportation to Drey Land and back, extra meals, and camp fees has already been included in your fees for the year. You will not see an extra charge for this Drey Land trip. On those days that a student is not at Drey Land, he/she will attend school as regularly scheduled. We hope that you will lend your enthusiastic support to this important venture in outdoor education.

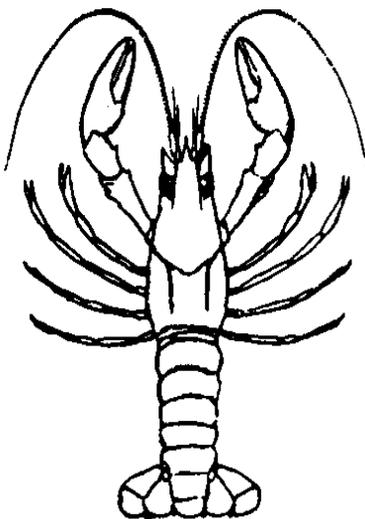
Sincerely yours,

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DREY LAND EQUIPMENT LIST

Each student is expected to bring at least the following equipment and may have only three pieces of baggage total: One duffel bag, one sleeping bag or bed roll, and one day pack for the bus and walking around camp.

This list is not optional, but required if you expect to become successfully involved in the various activities that are planned.



- Hat, cap, or bandana (for bug shaking)
- One pair of sturdy sneakers or tie water shoes for the creek work (Water sandals are fine for the float but **not** for daily creek walking; you will want to keep the stones out).
- One pair of leather boots or sturdy shoes for the forest
- One pair tennis shoes for around camp
- Old "field clothing," some for warm and some for cold weather (several pair long pants to keep off poison ivy)
- Rain gear, (a coat or poncho). We **do** work in rainy weather; a small umbrella can be handy, too
- Two pairs of shorts (one – quick drying)
- 8 pair socks (feet get wet)
- **Swimming suit**
- Wash cloth and towel
- Toilet articles (minimal; only very cold showers) & small towel for hands in bathroom; allergy meds
- A working **flashlight** and extra batteries (Headlamp or booklight style is great)
- Sun screen LOTION (no aerosol cans!)
- Insect repellent LOTION (no aerosol cans!) (Deet works well)
- Pencils, ball-point pen, notebook for paper, narrow 3-ring binder for our Drey Land packet
- **Calculator** (an inexpensive one is fine); Bring your good one in a ziplock bag for use in the lodge (dry)
- Sleeping bag or bed roll - extra sheet - pillow
- Water bottle labeled with your name
- Text book (optional) and ½" - 1" binder for your packet (optional but very useful)
- Money (coins) for vending machines at rest stop
- Plastic Trash bags for wet clothes – we don't give out bags

ALL equipment, including bags, should be **clearly marked with your name** to prevent confusion in crowded cabins, and during loading and unloading of the busses.

ITEMS SPECIFICALLY FORBIDDEN: Any kind of food or snacks (fruit, cookies, pretzels and lemonade are available between meals); tobacco in any form; marijuana, narcotics or other illegal drugs; alcohol; and electronic sound devices (radios, TVs, CD players, iPods, etc.) Cell phones are to be off and stowed while at Drey Land.

Necessary prescription drugs and/or other medical substances must be given to the camp nurse. They are to be stored in the main lodge at all times. This way necessary medications are not lost in the student cabins. Discuss the dispensing requirements of medications with the camp nurse. Prescribed inhalers and EpiPens should be carried by the student.

JOHN BURROUGHS SCHOOL
BIOLOGY DREY LAND PERMISSION AND RELEASE AGREEMENT
ADULT ON BEHALF OF A MINOR CHILD

Please read carefully before signing

STUDENT PLEDGE

I pledge my full *support and cooperation* while on the Drey Land trip. I am fully aware of the camp rules and the necessity for closely following these rules while at the camp. Should I violate the rules or this pledge of cooperation, my parents will provide early return transportation from the camp to St. Louis. I am also aware that should I break my pledge, that upon returning to J.B.S., *severe disciplinary action* will be taken.

Student's signature: _____

Date: _____

I have read the Student Pledge and agree to arrange early return transportation if it is deemed necessary by the camp director.

Parent's signature: _____

The undersigned agree and understand that there are risks involved participating in the John Burroughs School Drey Land program including, but not limited to, outdoor camping, swimming, travel and physical activities. Your child need not participate in the Drey Land program but is strongly encouraged to do so. It is your and your child's choice whether he/she participates in the program. The School does not and cannot investigate each organization that is providing transportation. These organizations require parents to execute legal agreements before a minor can participate. In order for your child to participate in these activities you must sign this document.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK

I/We acknowledge that there are risks and hazards in any of the activities in which my/our child has chosen to participate. I/We further understand and acknowledge that with my/our permission, my/our child has chosen to participate in a trip to Drey Land for four days between May 10, 2015 and May 16, 2015 that includes a number of physically challenging activities that have various risks attached to them. These activities include, but are not limited to swimming, hiking, and volleyball. This trip has risks that include, but are not limited to: physical injury, trauma, emotional injury, death and property damage. These hazards include, but are not limited to: changing weather conditions, changing trail conditions, variation in terrain or steepness, natural and man made obstacles, collisions with objects or structures, rocks, logs, trees, equipment failure; interference from other activities in the vicinity; rigorous physical activity, exhaustion and undomesticated animals, including horses and raccoons. The activities in which my/our minor child has chosen to participate may include physical challenges, which, if aggravated by climate conditions, may place unusual demands on my/or minor child's bodily systems. I/We acknowledge that this is not an exhaustive list of the risks or hazards my/our minor child may encounter, and that my/our minor child may encounter unforeseen situations. I/We understand that this Agreement is governed by Missouri law.

RELEASE

In consideration of and in order that my/our child may participate in the Biology Drey Land program, I/we forever release and waive our right and our child's right to sue John Burroughs School (including its trustees, officers employees, faculty, staff, volunteers and contracted third parties) (hereinafter Releasees) for any personal injury, property loss, or damage arising, directly or indirectly out of our child's participation in the Drey Land program including transportation to and from Drey Land. The undersigned parent(s)/guardian agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Releasees harmless from any and all such liability or claims for damages.

HEALTH CERTIFICATION

I/We certify that our child is capable of participating in the activity or activities. I/We have listed below any medical conditions that John Burroughs School should be aware of which may hinder my/our child's participation in the activity or activities selected. **However, I/we understand that it is solely my/our responsibility to determine whether there is any medical reason that my/our minor child should not participate in the selected activity.**

DOES THE PARTICIPANT FOR WHOM YOU ARE SIGNING HAVE ANY MEDICAL CONDITION(S) THAT WE SHOULD BE AWARE OF THAT MAY HINDER HIS/HER PARTICIPATION?
 NO _____ YES _____ IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW.

(if more space is needed, please attach a separate sheet)

I/We understand that in case of illness or injury, the faculty chaperones will attempt to contact the parents or guardians listed below before treatment or hospitalization. I/We consent and authorize the faculty chaperones to obtain through a physician or medical emergency service of their choice, such medical care as is necessary for the welfare of the student should he/she become ill or injured during the course of the program.

PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE

I/We willingly grant our minor child, _____, permission to participate in all Drey Land trip activities, including, but not limited to the activities planned for the trip from May 10, 2015 through May 16, 2015. Should I/we decide to limit or withdraw our permission, we agree to notify Margaret Bahe in advance concerning the withdrawal or specifics of the limitations on participation in Drey Land activities.

I/WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT AND FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE THAT NO ORAL REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING THIS DOCUMENT HAVE BEEN MADE TO ME/US AS AN INDUCEMENT TO SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT.

PLEASE PRINT

Name of Student		Age:	
Parents' Names			
Address, City, State, Zip			
Home Phone			
Parent One Cell Phone		Parent One Work Phone	
Parent Two Cell Phone		Parent Two Work Phone	
IN THE CASE OF EMERGENCY PLEASE CONTACT:			
Name:		Work Phone:	
Home Phone:		Cell Phone:	
Medical Insurance Carrier:		Subscriber Name:	
Medical Plan #		Medical Policy #:	
Any other relevant medical information (i.e. allergies, medications, inhalers, etc.):			
Year of last tetanus shot:		Is your child water safe?	
SIGNATURES OF BOTH PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S) ARE REQUIRED:			
Signature:			
(Print Name here):			
Date			
Signature:			
(Print Name Here):			
Date:			

Please, if you have any questions, contact: Margaret Bahe at 314-993-4040 X359 or mbahe@jburroughs.org