

Good morning North Hampton parents and guardians,

I am re-sending the below message as a friendly reminder about tomorrow night's **(Thursday, May 31st at 6pm in the NHS cafeteria) meeting for parents/guardians who are interested in chaperoning one of the trips during the 2018-2019 school year.**

The below message was sent out to parents and guardians on May 9th. I also sent a phone message on May 22nd.

*Thank you to the many of you who have expressed your support for the middle school overnight trips over the last couple of months. The trips have been the subject of passionate and sometimes pointed discussion recently and I've sent this message to provide an update about their present status. First, just in case you are not aware, the following overnight trips have taken place at the middle school level for many years:*

- 1) September- 6th grade- Merrowvista environmental and outdoor education center*
- 2) April- 8th grade- Washington D.C.*
- 3) May- 7th grade- New York City*

*The Merrowvista and Washington DC trips this year could be described as having been, both, successful and memorable. The New York City trip with the 7th grade is coming up in a couple of weeks. The team of chaperones for the NYC trip includes six NHS staff members, including myself. We are looking forward to helping make the experience all that it can be for the kids.*

*As discussed at both the March and April School Board meetings (and outlined in the Summary of a presentation to the North Hampton School Board in March, below), beyond this year we will not have the capacity to chaperone the trips entirely with school staff. Therefore, to maintain our overnight trips into next school year, and potentially beyond, we will require a number of parents (likely 3-4 per trip) to commit to serving as a chaperone. This will allow us to provide the number of chaperones needed (approximately 2-3 staff/3-4 parents) for each trip.*

*I will hold **a meeting for parents/guardians who are interested in chaperoning one of the trips during the 2018-2019 school year on Thursday, May 31st at 6pm in the NHS cafeteria.** At this meeting, I'll outline the trips, we'll have a general discussion about them and garner a working list of chaperones committed to each trip for the 2018-2019 school year.*

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the North Hampton School.

Sincerely,

Erik M. Anderson, Principal