

**6<sup>th</sup> GRADE CLASS TRIP**  
**Heartland Outdoor School**  
**May 1 – May 4, 2018**

Dear Parents:

Big Walnut Intermediate School, in conjunction with Heartland Outdoor School, is organizing an exciting trip to the Marengo, Ohio area set for **May 1 – May 4, 2018**. This trip will give your son/daughter an opportunity to experience outdoor education tailored to supplement the sixth grade content standards. Activities will be conducted that address the core subject areas as well as related arts areas. Some outdoor classes may include Ohio living history (pioneer play), archery, critter scene investigation, reptiles and amphibians, and wilderness survival.

The trip package is priced at **\$208.50** per student.

Thank you for your interest in the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to Heartland Outdoor School.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pentello and Mr. Wion  
Trip Coordinators

## **PAYMENT INFORMATION**

- Total Trip Price **\$208.50**

The following is the planned payment schedule. *These payments should be made by the following dates:*

Payment 1 = **Friday, February 2 = \$69.50 due**

Payment 2 = **Friday, March 2 = \$69.50 due**

Payment 3 = **Friday, April 6 = \$69.50 due\*\*\***

**\*\*\* Due to PTO fundraisers the third payment may be less. Paying in full prior to the last payment opts you out of the PTO discount. This money will go to help other students. A big thank you goes to the PTO for running the fundraisers and for all of their support!**

- \* If you are unable to make a payment by the scheduled due date please contact Mr. Wion or Mrs. Pentello to make special arrangements prior to the due date.
- How can I make payments?
  - Make checks or money orders payable to **Big Walnut Schools**. Please write your **child's name and Heartland** on the check or money order.
  - If you pay with **cash** please place it in an **envelope** with your **child's name and Heartland** on it.
  - Contact Mrs. Bowman in the office if you would like to use a credit card.
- Give cash, checks, or money orders to your homeroom teacher. They will turn it in to the office. Having Heartland written on the envelope, check, or money order is very helpful.

**Financial Aid** – If you are experiencing financial difficulties please contact Mr. Wion or Mrs. Pentello as soon as possible. We have a request form for you to fill out. We do have a limited amount of financial aid. To be considered for the aid you must participate in fundraising. Please turn in the form by **February 2.**

## **Trip Discipline Policies**

This trip has been planned to enrich our students' educational experience as well as add to their appreciation of our history and our environment. However, please keep in mind that the trip is a privilege, not a right. A student's *grades*, *attendance*, and *attitude* are key factors in determining her/his successful participation in the trip. Listed below are disciplinary actions that will keep a student from being allowed to go on the trip.

If any of the following occur during the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) semester the student will be removed from the trip.

- Two days (2) of out-of-school suspension
- Three (3) days of in-school suspension

**Student expulsion at any time during the year will result in automatic removal from the trip.**

The staff at BWIS reserves the right to refuse participation to any student who has unsatisfactory academic performance, has been a source of disruption or discipline problems, has had attendance problems, or whom they believe would jeopardize the smooth operation of the trip. A meeting, which may include Mr. Wion, Mrs. Pentello, your child's teachers, Mrs. Wytzka, and Mr. McLane will be scheduled prior to the loss of Heartland Outdoor school participation.

### **DISCIPLINE DURING TRIP**

**Any student in violation of the rules defined in the BWIS Student Handbook during the trip may be sent home. Parents will be responsible for transporting their child home. Be sure to discuss this possibility with your child as there will be NO REFUND.**

### **ATTENDANCE POLICY**

**Students who are absent twenty (20) days or more from school may not be allowed to go on the trip unless they have a serious illness and have been under a doctor's care. A doctor's excuse must be brought in.**

### **GRADE POLICY**

**Any student who is not passing three (3) of his/her four core classes (Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies) at the end of the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) nine weeks may be excluded from the trip.**

### **School Fee and Forms Policy**

To attend this trip all School Fees must be paid, or have a payment plan approved through the Treasurer's Office. All BWI Emergency Medical forms must be turned in as well.

**Please fill out the final page and return it to Mrs. Pentello or Mr. Wion by January 12.**



**Permission Slip:**

Please complete this page, detach it from the packet, and return it to Mrs. Pentello or Mr. Wion. It is due on Friday, January 12.

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- I have read through this packet and understand the payment plan, discipline, attendance, and grading policies.
- I am aware of the payment due dates.

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

- I give my daughter/son permission to attend Heartland Outdoor School May 1 – May 4, 2018.

Please check this box if you are opting out of the PTO fundraising discount.

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_