

Camp McDowell Environmental Center
Fifth Grade Class Trip
May 11-13, 2020
Cost: \$170 per student

(Includes bus fare, lodging, meals and an afternoon snack, instructional activities and materials, and an amazing three-day Earth Science learning experience!)

For additional information, you may want to visit the Camp McDowell website at
<http://www.campmcdowell.com/cmec/index.htm>

Tentative travel plans: Leave Mill Creek at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, May 11 and travel by school bus to Camp McDowell near Jasper, AL (Parents must arrange to bring their child and his/her luggage and bedding to school that morning. Bus drivers are not permitted to bring camp luggage on regular bus routes). Students will return to Mill Creek by school bus around 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 13.

To register for camp there are four things that must be completed and returned:

1. Field Trip Permission Slip
2. Waiver Liability and Risk Form
- 3) NOTARIZED Out of County/Overnight form. If you complete one for the Chattanooga Aquarium trip, you will not need to do this again.
- 4) A \$25.00 registration deposit.
- 5) Health Form: complete front and back. This does not have to be completed by a doctor. If your child is on medication, a specific form is required and will be given out at a later date.

Students will be on the camper list when ALL forms are turned in with your registration deposit.

Please do not turn them in separately as it complicates record keeping. You may keep the cover letter and the packing list.

School dress codes and behavior rules apply while at Camp McDowell. Please note that students with behavior issues will not be allowed to attend camp. This is at the discretion of the faculty of Mill Creek Elementary, but no students with a history of ISS or suspensions will be allowed to attend.

\$25.00 INITIAL DEPOSITS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.

Payment Methods: cash, check (must include driver's license number) or online payment.

Directions for online payment: Mill Creek Website <https://www.madisoncity.k12.al.us/millcreek>; Quick Links (bottom left) /Online Payments/Fee Items/Field Trips - place the amount of payment. There is a \$3.50 fee for each transaction.

Cost: \$170 - \$25 deposit = \$145 balance

Payment options:

1. Payment in full
2. Balance into two payments (\$70 and \$75) Payment 1 due on February 28. Payment 2 due on March 27.

* Parent chaperones will be notified via email. All chaperones are required to complete the school background check. Also, they are required to complete a health form and liability/risk waiver form. Chaperone cost is \$170. A required chaperone meeting will be scheduled closer to camp.

Please let me know if you have questions.

Mrs. Large
llarge@madisoncity.k12.al.us

Madison City Schools Field Trip Permission Slip

School: Mill Creek Elementary Grade: 5th Date: 01-10-2020

Memorandum to Parents:

On May 11-13, 2020 our class will be taking a field trip to Camp McDowell
Date Name of Place

At 105 DeLong Road Nauvoo, Alabama 35578 at approximately 8:00 a.m. o'clock.
Location Time

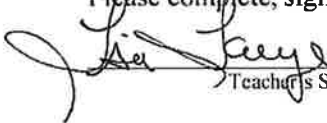
To Mill Creek Elementary at approximately 1:45 p.m. o'clock
Place of Return Time

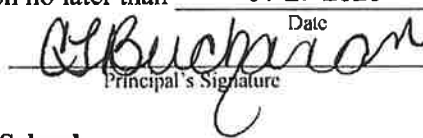
Mode of Transportation: school bus

We would like for your child to accompany us on our trip. Supervision will be provided for all students. Your child is expected to follow all school/classroom rules.

In event of a date change, you will receive a revised field trip permission slip to sign and return.

Please complete, sign and return the lower portion no later than 01-27-2020
Date


Teacher's Signature


Principal's Signature

Madison City Schools Field Trip Permission Slip

Teacher Name Mrs. Large School Mill Creek Elementary

I wish I do not wish

To give my permission for my child _____
Child's Name

To accompany your group on the field trip to Camp McDowell
Name of Place

At _____ on May 11-13, 2020
Location Date of Trip

Does your child have any medical problems and/or allergies that we should be aware of?

Will your child require any medication on this field trip? _____

Name of Insurance Company: _____

The Madison City School System has my permission to seek any medical treatment necessary for my child during a school-sponsored field trip.

Parent's Contact Number: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

Waiver of Liability & Release

*This form must be completed for every participant in a Camp McDowell program.
Please read carefully before signing.*

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

All of Camp McDowell's programs ("Programs") take place in an area that includes over 1,000 acres of forests, meadows, streams, and canyons. The Programs involve physical and hazardous activities that take place in this wilderness and outdoor camp environment, including without limitation, swimming; canoeing; hiking over rough terrain or in the vicinity of water; and challenge or ropes course activities such as climbing, jumping, balancing, and being lifted or supported by a rope and harness system at heights up to thirty feet in the air.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND AGREEMENT TO RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS

I, the undersigned, understand and agree that participating in any Program inherently involves risks, hazards, and dangers, including but not limited to the risks of falling, falling rocks or objects, fractures, concussions, dangerous weather, overexertion, overheating, injuries caused by a lack of fitness or conditioning, river currents, hypothermia, hostile or aggressive farm animals or wildlife, equipment failures, negligence of others, accident, injury, death, mental or emotional trauma, disability, and property damage or loss. In consideration for my being permitted to participate in a Program, I, for myself (and for my child if participant is under 19), my heirs, assigns, and personal representatives, hereby knowingly and intentionally agree to assume all risks of participating in any Program and forever release and hold harmless Camp McDowell and the Episcopal Diocese of Alabama, as well as their employees, agents, directors, volunteers, participants, guests, representatives, affiliates, and all other persons or entities acting under their direction and control ("Released Parties") from any and all liability, claims, actions, losses, and demands arising out of or relating in any way to my participation in any Program, including but not limited to those arising from travel to and from the program site or from the negligence of the Released Parties.

By signing this form I am certifying that I am capable of—and have not been advised by a medical professional to refrain from—participating in these and similar physical activities. I also consent to receive (or, if applicable, have my child receive) medical treatment that may be deemed advisable in the event of injury, accident, or illness during any Program.

This agreement is governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the state of Alabama, without any reference to its choice of law rules. I agree that any dispute arising from this agreement or in any way associated with a Program shall be brought only in the state or federal courts of Jefferson County, Alabama, and I agree to the jurisdiction and venue of those courts for any such dispute.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ, FULLY UNDERSTAND, AND VOLUNTARILY SIGN THIS WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND RELEASE ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND, IF APPLICABLE, AS THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF A PROGRAM PARTICIPANT UNDER THE AGE OF 19 YEARS.

Name of Program Participant

Date

Signature of Participant (If 19 Years or Older)

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian (If Participant Under 19 Years)

BRING-ALONG LIST



Please carefully look over the following checklist and check each item as it is packed. When arriving at McDowell Environmental Center, participants should come prepared to spend the day outside.

Helpful hints for packing:

- Limit packing to one suitcase or duffel bag and a rolled up sleeping bag. You will carry your belongings from the bus to your cabin.
- Put your name on everything.
- Bring OLD clothes and shoes. You will get wet and muddy.
- Pack a raincoat or poncho (and warm clothes if applicable). Classes are held outdoors rain or shine.

REQUIRED:

- ___ 2 water bottles (20 oz or larger)
- ___ raincoat or poncho
- ___ 4 pairs of socks
- ___ **2 pairs of closed-toe shoes**
- ___ 3 pairs of underwear
- ___ 3 shirts
- ___ 2 pairs of long pants
- ___ 3 pairs of shorts
- ___ sweatshirt or fleece
- ___ pajamas
- ___ towel & wash cloth
- ___ soap, toothbrush & other toiletries
- ___ sleeping bag (or sheets & blankets - single bed)
- ___ pillow
- ___ sunscreen
- ___ pen or pencil
- ___ small backpack

OPTIONAL:

- ___ hat & sunglasses
- ___ flashlight & extra batteries
- ___ camera
- ___ souvenir money
- ___ sandals for shower
- ___ journal
- ___ bug repellent (non-Deet **only**)
- ___ chapstick

COOL WEATHER ADDITIONS:

Wool and synthetic clothing work best!

- ___ warm knit hat
- ___ warm gloves
- ___ thick socks
- ___ long underwear/thick tights
- ___ heavy jacket

***DO NOT BRING:** food, gum, candy or knives!