May 12, 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian:

This year, we are again inviting all 8th grade students who are in good academic and disciplinary standing to join us on June 22nd as they culminate their years in middle school with a trip to Kings Dominion Amusement Park. While on the trip, students will not be allowed to attend the water park. The following information is important if your child decides to attend the trip.

What parents/guardians need to do: If your child is going on the field trip, complete the Field Trip and the Emergency Care Forms available on the Kilmer homepage. Additionally, parents should make arrangements for their child to be picked up at 6:30 pm at Kilmer, barring any traffic concerns from our departure.

Cost: The fee for both admission to the park and transportation is $65. Only checks or money orders, payable to Kilmer Middle School, will be accepted. All tickets are non-refundable though they are transferrable for a different date in case your student has an emergency and cannot attend. Students who have season passes will pay $32 for the bus seat. If your child receives free or reduced lunch and you need financial assistance for this trip, parents should contact the child’s counselor as soon as possible and the school can work with families for financial assistance.

While the cost of the trip is $65 per student, KMS has families for whom this cost will be prohibitive. To assist all of our eligible students to be able to participate, please consider contributing a donation. A donation makes it possible for another student to attend. Please submit this as a separate check with “Kings Dominion Donation” in the memo line. Thank you for your consideration in this if you are able.

Timeline: Field Trip and Emergency Care Forms and payment will be collected at lunch during the week of May 23-May 27 only. Please include student’s ID number on the memo line of the check. All items must be turned in together.

At the park: We will take the trip regardless of the weather, so students should be equipped with appropriate clothing and any other items (water bottle, sun screen, etc.) that may be useful to them while at the park. Students are encouraged to bring backpacks for important personal belongings. Kilmer is not responsible for any lost items.

Students are responsible for their lunch and drinks. They may choose to purchase food at the park, or they may bring a lunch bag with their name on it. We will have multiple coolers where students can store their lunches; these students will need to meet with school staff at a predetermined time and location in order to retrieve their lunches.

While at the park, students will be required to stay in groups of at least three students and will be required to check in with their adult chaperone at predetermined times. Failure to check in on time will result in restricted movement in the park for that particular student(s).

If you have any questions about this trip, please email Mrs. David at dsdavid@fcps.edu. We look forward to a wonderful time with your students!

Sincerely,

The 8th Grade Staff and Faculty at Kilmer