8th Grade Pinery Camping Trip: May 6 – May 9, 2014

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Application due date: Friday, March 21 (3:30 PM)

**Background:** This is an annual field trip for the Eighth Graders sponsored by the Outdoor Education Club. Students will explore science and the environment in the outdoor classroom; and develop personal and interpersonal skills through group living and team building learning activities. This is a **camping trip is for 8th grade students** **only**. Some of the activities will include: initiative games, compass use, orienteering, astronomy, biology, creative writing, journal writing, and environmental awareness. The trip is scheduled at Pinery Provincial Park located in **Ontario, Canada.**  Students must have an original **Birth Certificate or Passport and school photo ID** in order to cross the border (we will collect at the parent meeting). Students are responsible for making up any work missed. Students will camp in tents, plan and cook meals, and attend class sessions outdoors. It is possible that not all students applying will get to go. If more than 40 students apply then students are chosen randomly as long as they meet the criteria. **Students will be notified by March 26, 2014 if they have met the required criteria and can attend.** **The cost of this trip is $80.00 which includes transportation to & from Pinery Provencial Park in Grand Bend, Ontario.**

If there are any questions regarding this trip, please direct them to Mr. Paver (285-8812) bpaver@lsps.org or

Mrs. Coffey (285-8851) tcoffey@lsps.org

*Criteria and expectations:*

* *Maintain positive/appropriate behavior in school*
* *Passing grades and citizenship in all classes*
* *Attend all scheduled meetings*
* *Meet all deadlines for paperwork*
* *School attendance and classroom tardies must be satisfactory*
* *Make up all work from classes missed*
* *Be willing to go if other friends do not get chosen to go*

Name: Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Possible Tent Partners:

Answer the following questions in complete sentences. Please write or neatly or type your answers.

1. Why do you want to attend the Pinery Trip?
2. What personal skills do you have that will contribute to the outdoor education experience?
3. What does it take to be a team player? (Explain your answer)

**Return Application to Mrs. Coffey or Mr. Kensicki by Friday, March 21 (3:30)**