

WORTHINGTON FIELD STUDIES, INC.
Pacific Northwest, SUMMER 2006

2. APPLICANT-PARENTAL AGREEMENT FORM

Worthington Field Studies Program is a part of the Worthington Summer School Curriculum. The course will be evaluated on a pass-fail basis. Academics are the primary purpose of this trip. You will be expected to keep a notebook that will contain a daily journal of your interpretations of the environment as it is being studied, as well as data collected and the solution to field problems when presented by the instructors. A major part of the evaluation will be based on the contents of this notebook. The student will also be evaluated on their *participation* and *attendance* for the meetings proceeding the trip.

We will sleep in tents, sometimes in primitive campgrounds. Flush-type toilets and showers will not always be available. Camp food will not be the same as that at home (with many peanut and butter jelly sandwiches for lunch). You will be part of a work crew, expected to do dishes, clean the bus, load and unload gear, set up tents, and help cook. Although the emphasis of this study will be on personal initiative and responsibility, our primary social concern must be for the welfare of the group and you must conduct yourself accordingly.

You should understand that the leaders of the trip will have the final word on all of your activities. The Worthington Field Studies rules and regulations are equally applicable for those students who may have witnessed or may have knowledge of others who violated major school rules and/or major Field Studies rules, and may be questioned by the instructors in order to determine the identity of the offending individual(s). Major violations include: smoking, drinking of alcohol, use of drugs, "immoral acts", refusal to obey safety rules, harboring information when questioned by the instructor, and overt refusal to obey the instructions of the instructor. All of these rules are in existence so that the safety, health, harmony, and efficiency of the group and individual may be maximized.

Any student involved in any major violation incident or who in the instructors' judgement becomes a problem and is detrimental to the group will be dropped from the group at the nearest town and will be sent home at the parent's expense. Notification of such an occurrence will be made by telephone to the parents and the school's administrator. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE.**

If a student decides to return home during the trip, their return trip will be at the cost of the student and/or parent. Included in this cost will be the travel expenses, cost of an adult accompanying chaperone, and travel expenses to and from the airport (\$0.35/mile) including parking. Since the student will not have completed the course, they will receive a failing grade. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE** if a student returns home during the trip.

Also, it is the intention of the instructors to adhere to the itinerary and schedule. However, on a trip such as this, there is always the potential for vehicular problems or other problems to develop that would necessitate adjustments in the schedules. Occasionally campsites or adjustments to the itinerary may have to be made. Every effort will be made to avoid these problems, but you must understand and be ready to cooperate with us should they occur.

Your signature indicates that you will accept these limitations and procedures and that you are willing to abide by **ANY AND ALL DECISIONS OF THE LEADERS.**

You give your permission for the following statements:

1. Your approval of the proceeding statements and thus your permission for the applicant to participate.
2. Permission for the leaders of the trip to make any and all decisions in your absence, which will be in the best interests of the group and/or your son/daughter.
3. Approval that all monies remaining after all trip expenses have been deducted shall be donated to Worthington Field Studies Inc., to be placed in the Scholarship Fund.
4. You will submit evidence of the physical condition of your son/daughter to be turned in during the second meeting. If this is not possible because of scheduling an appointment, then the physical form must be turned in by June 14, 2005.
5. Four payments will be made as follows:
\$300 non-refundable deposit – Monday, February 6, 2006 – made payable to W.F.S.I.
\$300.00 payment – Tuesday, March 7, 2006 – made payable to W.F.S.I.
\$500.00 payment – Wednesday, April 12, 2006 – made payable to W.F.S.I.
\$500.00 payment – Thursday, May 18, 2006 – made payable to W.F.S.I.
6. A copy of your accident hospitalization insurance coverage must be turned in with other as soon as possible. If you do not have this type of insurance, you must purchase such insurance on or before May 18, 2006 and provide the Field Studies Directors with a copy of such insurance coverage. You will also allow the Field Studies Directors to use your hospitalization insurance for any necessary treatment of your child. If our insurance is deductible, you must pay the deductible by either forwarding the money on the trip or by reimbursing the field studies program when the class returns home.
7. In such a case where the participant's insurance will not pay for a medical emergency, Worthington Field Studies will pay the initial amount for the medical care. The participant's parents will be notified of the incident and will then make full restitution to Worthington Field Studies for any costs.
8. In the event that an unforeseen emergency occurs and the applicant must drop out of the program, no refund of any monies will be made unless a satisfactory replacement can be found.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date