



Sandy Lake Choir Fest



April 30, 2009

Dear Choir Parents:

This letter is to provide you with details about the choir's trip to Sandy Lake Amusement Park to participate in the Choir Festival on Tuesday, May 19th. Our choir will warm-up at 10:00 AM and sing for the judges beginning between 10:20- 10:30 AM. We will leave Birmingham on the school bus that morning around 8:45 AM. Students will need to dress in their choir T-shirts, and blue jeans, blue jean shorts, or blue jean capris with socks and tennis shoes (no sandals or flip flops please). Please make sure that the length of the shorts is no shorter than 3 inches above the knees.

After we sing we will get everyone together for a group picture and then we will eat lunch in one of the picnic pavilions. Following lunch the children will be free to enjoy the amusement park rides and games. There will be small groups of children, (about 4 or 5), assigned to a parent chaperone. Those groups will stay together as they ride the rides and play the games. No student will be allowed to leave their chaperones. Everyone needs to be back at the performance tent for the awards ceremony at 11:45 AM, (time subject to change if they add more choirs to the schedule), and we will leave to come back to school at 1:30 PM.

The regular \$2.00 per person admission was covered when we paid the \$125.00 entry fee for the festival. **The children will need to bring money with them that day for rides and games, and there is a concession stand available for snacks as well.** Whatever you would like for your child to bring is up to you. Tickets for the rides are sold in books of \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$20.00. The rides are \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 or \$2.50 (2, 3, 4 or 5 tickets each). Miniature Golf is \$2.00 per round and the paddle boats are \$2.00 per person. My recommendation is to purchase no more than \$10.00 - \$15.00 worth of tickets because they cannot get a refund on unused tickets, (this is all that time will probably allow). If you want to send more in case they get through the rides fast you might tell them to wait and buy the extra tickets after they have run through the first batch. If they have extra money they may want to use it at the concession stand or the souvenir stand. The arcade building does not take tickets, only money. **The children will be responsible for keeping up with their own money and tickets while at the park.** They will also need to bring a sack lunch with a drink and their name clearly marked on both for our picnic lunch. If your child would like to purchase one from the cafeteria I will need the form back by May 7th.

I am attaching a field trip permission form and a lunch form, which should be signed and returned to me no later than Thursday, May 7th.

We need several parent chaperones to go on the trip. If you would still like to go with us, or if you decided not to go, please let me know by May 7th so I can make the group lists. If you have not already turned in a background check form this year you will need to do so as soon as possible. Please call and let me know if you cannot access our school website to download the form and I will make sure your child brings you one home. My phone number is 972-429-3000 EXT. 6020.

Thank you,
Mrs. Aaron



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Dear Choir Parents:

We will need many parents to go with us as chaperones on May 19. If you would be willing to be a chaperone for this trip and you have not already e-mailed Mrs. Aaron, please sign and return the bottom portion of this letter. I will send more details regarding chaperone responsibilities very soon.

I believe this will be a learning experience, as we will sing before judges and a fun reward for the time and dedication your child has put into choir this year!

“Sing-cerely”,

Mrs. Aaron



_____ I would like to be a sponsor for the trip to Sandy Lake on May 19, 2009.

Parent signature

Child's name

Phone number(s)

♪ *Please return this slip to Mrs. Aaron by Thursday, May 7, 2009.*

Return to Mrs. Aaron no later than **Thursday, May 7th, 2009**

Field Trip Lunch Order Form

The 3rd and 4th Grade choir will be going on a field trip on May 19th. The lunchroom will have sack lunches available for those who would like to order one. Please fill out the form below and return it to the cafeteria if you would like us to prepare your child's lunch for the field trip.

Child's name _____

Homeroom teacher _____

Payment enclosed (\$1.90) per lunch

Use lunch account # _____

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If your child will be bringing their own sack lunch and not purchasing one from the cafeteria please check here _____.

Child's name _____

Homeroom teacher _____

Return to Mrs. Aaron no later than **Thursday, May 7th, 2009**

T. F. BIRMINGHAM ELEMENTARY

*Acknowledgement of Responsibility and Permission For
Student Participation in School-Sponsored Trip*

I, _____ (parent/guardian), agree to allow my child, _____ (child's name), to travel with a group or individual associated with the Wylie Independent School District on the trip(s) indicated below. I understand that while student safety is a high priority for the Wylie ISD, under the law, the school is not responsible for medical costs associated with a student injury.

I expressly waive all claims for medical expenses, loss of services, or other claims, and I agree to indemnify and hold harmless District, its Trustees, employees, and agents from all claims made by third parties against it or them on behalf of my child.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the District, its Trustees, employees, and agents from all claims made by third parties against it or them which result from my child's actions on the trip.

I understand that the District, its Trustees, employees, and agents are not waiving any sovereign or governmental immunity which it or they have under Texas law.

In case of an emergency and in the event the parent/guardian cannot be reached, I authorize a representative to take my child to a qualified physician.

I have read and understood this release and sign it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance. **This release applies to the trip to be taken by the 3rd and 4th Grade Choir to Sandy Lake Park on May 19th, 2009.**

Parent or guardian

Date

Emergency Phone #

Insurance Company

Policy #