

February 5, 2024

TO: Parents and Guardians of Eighth Grade Students

RE: Cityside Eighth Grade Lake Arvesta Day Trip

We, the eighth-grade staff, are happy to announce the plans for our 2024 day trip to Lake Arvesta. This is an exciting year-end experience to have some fun and celebrate the closure of three years at Cityside Middle School. We are excited to have all students join us!

**When:** Wednesday, May 29, 2024 **(during the school day)**

**Cost:** \$28.00 **(to Mrs. Nelson in the CBC)**

**Includes:** Bus Transportation and Lake Arvesta Activities:

- Pickleball Courts
- Basketball Courts
- Arcade Games
- Obstacle Course on water (inflatable)
- Bounce House on water
- 4 Water Slides
- 18-Holes of Disc Golf
- Snack Shack (bring extra money if you want snacks)

**NOTE:** We realize the expense of this trip may be a financial burden for some. If that applies to you, please email Mrs. Huizenga ([shuizeng@zps.org](mailto:shuizeng@zps.org)) **BY THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2024**, to request the scholarship amount needed for your family. We would love every student to attend, helping those who need it, but we do need to make sure we have sufficient funds secured.

**Lunch:** \*\*If you normally eat school lunch, we can order one from the cafeteria for you in advance. We will send out the lunch form closer to the date of the field trip. Snacks are also available for purchase from the Lake Arvesta snack shack.

\*\*If you normally bring your lunch from home, you may bring your own on this field trip, too.

**Timeline:** Please return the permission slip and money (checks made out to Cityside Middle School) by **Thursday, March 28, 2024**.

**Refunds:** Refunds will not be given after **Thursday, March 28, 2024**.  
*If behavior issues prevent a student from attending, no refund will be given.*

**Complete the Lake Arvesta WAIVER on the Cityside home page-- [cityside.zps.org](http://cityside.zps.org).**

## Lake Arvesta Field Trip Expectations

*All students attending this trip will be expected to abide by the guidelines listed below. We must be confident that all students will be safe on the trip.*

- Students are expected to follow Cityside Middle School's Code of Conduct/Rules throughout the year--as well as on the trip itself. If students' **behavior or performance is inappropriate** (as deemed by administration), they may forfeit the trip.
- Students who have lost the privilege of the field trip will remain at school with work to complete independently.
- Students are **not** allowed to bring a cell phone on the trip. This is the ZPS policy for middle school students at school that will be enforced (along with all other rules) on the trip. More importantly, it allows everyone to "unplug" for a while, which really is an amazing part of this trip's experience. Students may use a chaperone's phone to call home if needed.
- Students will follow the dress code from the Cityside handbook. This includes appropriate, modest swimwear. Students will wear casual attire (e.g. t-shirt and shorts) when not in the water.
- Students may bring one tote bag or backpack with them for the day. This must be kept in the seat with them on the bus while traveling.
  - This is a "rain or shine" event, so plan accordingly.
  - Eating/Drinking is not allowed on the school buses.
- Students who typically have (and take) medicine stored at the school office will see Ms. Klein for those as needed throughout the day.
- Students must indicate whether they will bring their own lunch from home or receive a lunch from the school cafeteria. School lunch options will be provided closer to the day of the field trip.

**If you have any questions, please contact Principal Sarah Huizenga at 748-3200.**

# Lake Arvesta Permission Slip

Student's Name (First and Last): \_\_\_\_\_

Student's DEAR Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

**All students attending this trip will be expected to abide by the guidelines listed on the attached page. We must be confident that all students will be safe on the trip.**

\*\*\*This form must be signed and returned with \$28 to Mrs. Nelson by Thursday, March 28, 2024. Checks should be made out to Cityside Middle School.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read/agree to the behavior expectations, and, as a parent/guardian, I grant permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to attend the Lake Arvesta trip on Wednesday, May 29, 2024.

Additionally, I, \_\_\_\_\_, confirm that I have completed the Lake Arvesta [online WAIVER](#) that is linked to the Cityside website.

Please indicate below if you are interested in donating any extra money to sponsor another student's field trip:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$5      \_\_\_\_\_ \$10      \_\_\_\_\_ \$15

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's/Guardian's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

***I understand that my child will be going on a field trip with their 8th grade class on Wednesday, May 29, 2024.***

## **LUNCH PLAN** - Please check one of the options below.

My student plans to order a school lunch.

*The meal options for students who choose to have school lunch will be passed out to them closer to the day of the trip when the cafeteria has the menu planned out.*

My student plans to bring a lunch from home.