Dear Parents

Your son/daughter has made plans to participate in the senior trip which is scheduled for May 5, 6, 7, and 8. Most expenses will be covered if they have worked the various fund raising projects, and fulfilled all school obligations. However, all students will need money for some meals and personal spending. If you need to contact the sponsors for any reason, Mrs. Gray’s cell phone number is (660) 412-2592.

Each student will need to take casual clothes, a bathing suit, and their own beach towel, since room towels are not to be taken out of the rooms. Please remember to have plenty of sunscreen or appropriate lotion. We do not want a miserable burning trip home on Thursday.

We will leave school Monday, May 5, 2014 and will return from The Lake of the Ozarks Thursday afternoon. Attached is a copy of the rules that need to be followed and a permission slip that includes our local rules. The rules have been discussed with the students. The permission slips will need to be signed by a parent or guardian in front of a school employee. The permission slips must be signed and returned before the student is allowed to board the bus to attend the trip.

The sponsors will be Mary Hoyt, Sara Jennings, Jade Jenkins, and Candi Gray. Dallas Kaschmieder will drive the bus.

If you have any questions please call Mrs. Gray at (660) 244-5035.

Sincerely

Mrs. Mary Hoyt      Mrs. Sara Jennings      Ms. Jade Jenkins      Mrs. Candi Gray
Sponsor      Sponsor      Sponsor      Principal
Permission Statement
Senior Class Trip

It is important that you understand the limited scope of the school district’s responsibility for the safety and supervision of students participating in this activity, scheduled for May 5, 6, 7, and 8. The supervising staff members will exercise reasonable care in supervising students during the trip, but are not insurers of student safety and are not responsible for student’s actions. Students will not be continuously supervised. It is reasonable to expect that students of this age group will behave as adults, and will thus be responsible for their own actions and decisions. If a student is injured or injures another person or damages that person’s property as the result of his or her own poor judgment or negligence, then the student is responsible for the consequences. If your child is under eighteen years old and injures another person or damages someone’s property, you can be held liable as the parents.

The senior trip is planned and designed to be an enjoyable event for the seniors and their sponsors. It is expected that all will have a safe, relaxing time through obedience to the guidelines set forth by the school and the lodge.

The lodge has a set of guidelines that each guest is to follow; a copy will be given to each student along with this permission slip, and by this association included in this document. Since this is a school sponsored and chaperoned event school rules apply just as they do in school, on athletic trips, and on field trips. Students that violate school rules will be expected to satisfy the appropriate punishment for that infraction. Since students do not attend classes after the senior trip, punishments calling for out-of-school-suspension will be handled as in-school-suspension. All ascribed punishments must be taken care of before the student receives their diploma.

Because of the nature of a senior trip is substantially different from regular school activities, additional guidelines are necessary.

1. There is expected to be immediate cooperation by the students with any requests of the sponsoring adults or bus driver, failure to do so will be considered a gross infraction of the expected behavior.
2. Any use of alcohol or illegal drugs; any incident of violence, including fighting; any situation that leads sponsors to believe that they do not have adequate cooperation from a student; will result in the student returning home at a time, and by a method, agreed to by the sponsor.
3. All suitcases, bags, boxes, etc., that students are taking on the bus will be inspected by a sponsor prior to being placed on the bus. (the girl’s items by a female sponsor, the boy’s items by a male sponsor) Coolers
are not allowed on the trip, we will make stops allowing students to purchase soda and snacks.

4. Smoking is not permitted in school, or on the bus. (per state law) The lodge does not permit smoking in the rooms.

5. Everyone is expected to participate in all group activities while at the lodge, and no one is permitted to stay behind at the lodge unless a sponsor stays with them.

6. Students must not leave the lodge at any time without permission of a sponsor.

7. Profanity or obscenities of any kind will not be allowed, as they are a mark of disgrace to the entire school body.

8. Students will only be allowed to use approved modes of transportation.

9. No leaving the area after 1:00 am.

10. Students are assigned to a room with specific room mates. Each group of students is responsible for the care of their own room. Damage fees are the responsibility of the students assigned to the room, not the senior class as a whole, or the school. Payment of the damages fees will occur before the class leaves so students must save money back to meet any of these obligations.

The school sponsors will strive to insure that students are safe and secure on this trip. This list of guidelines and other precautions are part of that process. Staff members will exercise reasonable care to see that the rules are followed, but students are ultimately responsible for their actions. Under no circumstances will staff members be expected to physically restrain a student from violating the rules or from leaving the facility without permission. If your child refuses to comply with the rules, or if your child is arrested, you will be notified and required to take immediate responsibility for your child. Any student that commits a serious offense may be denied the opportunity to graduate with their class on Sunday, May 11, 2014. Failure to comply with a stated request, expressed by two of the sponsors, is a serious offense.

If you question whether your child is sufficiently mature to take responsibility for his or her own actions and voluntarily comply with the rules, you should not sign this permission statement. Each student must have a signed permission to be allowed to participate in this activity. The permission slip must be signed in the presence of a school employee.
Permission Slip
Senior Class Trip

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To be signed by parent:

I hereby grant my son/daughter permission to participate in the activity described in the permission statement. By signing this slip, and in consideration of the school district’s agreement to allow my son/daughter to participate in this optional school activity, I agree to indemnify and hold the Linn County R-I School District, its agents and employees harmless from all liabilities resulting from any injury to my son or daughter and for any other liabilities, losses, claims, damages or causes of action whatsoever arising out of the participation of my son or daughter in this activity including the costs of defense and any other associated costs. I have read the information in this permission statement and understand and agree with its terms.

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Parent or Guardian

To be signed by a participating student:

In consideration of the school district’s agreement to allow me to participate in this optional school activity, I agree to indemnify and hold Linn County R-I School District, its agents and employees harmless from liabilities resulting from any injury to myself and for any other liabilities, losses, claims, damages or causes of action whatsoever resulting from any injury to me and for any other liabilities, losses, claims, damages or causes of actions whatsoever arising out of my participation in this activity including the costs of defense and any other associated costs.

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Student

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School Employee Who Witnesses Signatures             Date