

Vista's White Mountains Spring Trip June 16, 17, and 18, 2014

Vista is beginning to make preparations for our three-day trip in June 2014. This will be our 23rd trip to the White Mountains. This year's trip will include a three-day adventure with nights spent at an Appalachian Mountain Club facility such as: Zealand Hut, Galehead Hut, Mizpah Spring Hut, Greenleaf Hut, Madison Spring Hut, Lakes of the Clouds Hut, Carter Notch Hut, or Lonesome Lake Hut. Students will have an opportunity to hike above treeline and experience the alpine zone of the White Mountains.

The total cost, per student, for three days and nights of meals, lodging, Appalachian Mountain Club supervision, and transportation to and from our destinations is **\$200.00**. This cost includes everything except lunch on the first day. Once reservations are finalized with the AMC, Vista will not be given a refund by the AMC for students that do not attend. Therefore, we are unable to refund any payments once the reservations are confirmed with the AMC. Checks should be made payable to KRMS.

PAYMENTS and RETURNED FORMS

- **Vista Permission Slip (pink) due by: Friday, March 28, 2014**
 - Vista Behavior Contract (blue) due by: *Friday, March 28, 2014*
 - **Vista Equipment Rental Form (white) due by: Friday, March 28, 2014**
 - AMC Medical Release Form (salmon) due by: *Friday, March 28, 2014*
 - **AMC Participant Agreement Form (purple) due by: Friday, March 28, 2014**
 - AMC Photo Release and Media Release Form (yellow) by: *Friday, March 28, 2014*
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- **Payment of \$200.00 due on or before Friday, April 11, 2014.**

EQUIPMENT

Attached is a tentative equipment list (purple form) for the trip. We will check equipment during school to ensure that all students have appropriate gear. These equipment checks will take place in May. We are sending the equipment list home early so that students can have plenty of time to get their equipment together. Many students in the past were able to borrow all needed equipment without buying anything. You will note that some gear is available from Vista. However, a contract must be signed with the team to cover possible lost or damaged equipment; the contract is included in the equipment list.

SAFETY

Your child will spend time making various preparations in order to safely spend time in the White Mountains. We are very comfortable working with your child in this arena. We hope that you will speak with us about any specific concerns you might have.

A Vista teacher and an AMC guide will be hiking with each small group of Vista students. All AMC guides are certified in Wilderness First Aid or Wilderness EMTs. The AMC staff are trained professional educators and guides and are provided through our fee to enhance the safety and enjoyment of our experience. We know that your child's understanding of safe hiking rules and common sense will go far in preventing any accidents from occurring.