



Our Fourth Graders Are Headed to College!

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Dear Parents,

At the end of October, our fourth graders will be traveling to Corvallis to tour Oregon State University and participate in a very exciting tsunami wave lab experiment. Our goal in taking this field trip is for students to have a realistic college experience and begin to set goals for attending the college of their choice in the year 2017, when they will be a member of the incoming freshman class. Our classroom motto is, "It's not too early to start planning for your future; do it today". We also celebrate "College Color Fridays" where students (along with and fans and alumni) all over Oregon and across the country wear the colors of their favorite college or university.

Students will tour the Hinsdale Wave Research Lab. OSU is challenging our students to create and build a tsunami evacuation shelter. The OSU scientists will turn on the wave simulation pool and students will see how their structure fared the waves. We will also take a campus tour of the Library, several academic halls, the Memorial Union, OSU Bookstore, Dixon Recreation Center and Gill Coliseum. Students will also tour residence hall dormitory rooms and use their "meal card" to purchase their own lunch in a dining hall.

This will be a field trip students won't soon forget. Would you like to chaperone? If so, please make sure your volunteer form has been approved on file with the district. If you have not already filled out and turned in your form, you need to do so no later than October 3rd. If you are unsure whether or not you have already been approved, please call our secretary, Renee, at 526-6400.

To create a more personal tour, each classroom will be attending the field trip on a different date. Here is the schedule:

Mrs. Renz's homeroom class – Monday Oct. 27th

Mr. Morton's class – Tuesday Oct. 28th

Mrs. Zistel's homeroom class – Wednesday Oct. 29th

Students need to be at school by 5:45 am. We will return to school between 5:45 and 6:00 pm. If you have any OSU Beaver clothing be sure to wear it!

The field trip fee for all of our field trips this year is \$15 (OSU trip and Fort Vancouver and State Capitol).

We would like to collect this fee by October 15th. If you write a check, please make it payable to "Tom McCall School."

Thank you for your support.

Chris Morton, Heather Renz and Michelle Zistel
Fourth Grade Teachers

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Field Trip Permission

_____ My child has permission to attend the Oregon State University field trip.

_____ My child WILL NOT be attending the Oregon State University field trip.

_____ Enclosed is \$15.00 for this year's field trips.

_____ I would like to chaperone on this trip. My volunteer form is already approved by the school district.

You can contact me at this phone number _____

Best time(s) to reach me _____

Student Name _____

Parent Signature _____

