

Announcing the P-Team

Chicago Field Trip~Science and Industry Museum~Wicked

Wednesday, November 14, 2007

On November 14, 2007 the 8th grade P-Team will be heading for Chicago for a full day field trip! On this field trip we will be visiting the Science and Industry Museum in the morning and taking in a matinee performance of “Wicked,” the hit Broadway musical! It is sure to be a day of fun and an opportunity to build some fantastic memories.

Wicked is the story of the witches of Oz before the Wizard of Oz. So many mysterious things from the beloved Frank Baum story are explained in a humorous manner. Discover why the witch has green skin, where the ruby red shoes came from, why the witch wears a pointed hat, the origin of the Scarecrow, Tin Man and Cowardly Lion as well as the frightening flying monkeys! You’ll be amazed at this incredible production!

Itinerary:

6:30 – 7:00 AM	Board chartered buses and head for Chicago!
9:30 – 10:00	Arrive at the Science and Industry Museum
11:15	Lunch in the basement of the museum.
1:30	Arrive at the Oriental Theater
2:00	Performance
5:00	Board buses
6:30	Stop at food court for supper
8:30	Arrive home!

The cost of the field trip is \$80.00. This includes the ticket for the chartered bus, the Science and Industry Museum, and Wicked. For lunch, students will pack a sack lunch and we will eat in the basement of the Science and Industry Museum. Students may also opt to eat at one of the restaurants in the museum, but will need to bring extra money for that cost.

Today begins the kickoff for our fund raiser. If students are able to sell 30 items, their entire trip is paid for. The cost of the field trip may also be paid for directly out of pocket. Or, perhaps students might want to fund raise part of the cost and pay for the other part. For example, a student selling 15 items would have half of the trip paid for and the other \$40.00 can be paid in cash. All extra money raised through the fund raiser goes into the P team general account to pay for parties and supplies throughout the year. Students are encouraged to sell over 30 items.

Students will want to bring their own money for souvenirs and supper at the food court. Restaurants at the food court include Arby’s, McDonald’s, Hardee’s, Taco John’s and Subway.

We will be able to take a **forty-five** chaperone’s on the trip. If parents are interested they should send their name and contact information to Mr. Lyle on the P-Team. Parents are placed on the chaperone list on a first come first served basis. Parent chaperones will need to pay \$35.00 to cover their ticket to the play and a portion of the bus expense.

I debated heavily on whether or not to take this trip again this year. At first, I thought I would not attempt it. This is a huge trip and a huge expense. I surveyed many parents from last year’s class and it was unanimous. They all agreed that if I could take this trip again, I should. The Science and Industry museum is fascinating, and the experience at the theater breath taking. For many of our students, this will be the only time in their life when they have such an opportunity.

If you are willing to chaperone, please contact me ASAP. Send your check with a note indicating your interest. If we are able to have 45 chaperones, each chaperone would only be responsible for 3.51 students!