

January 10, 2012

Dear Parents,

The entire 7th grade will be going to the Audubon Center in Sandstone, MN on February 1-3, 2012. We plan to leave on Wednesday, February 1st at 9:15 a.m. February 1st is a late start day. 7th graders should arrive no later than 8:45 a.m. Students will report to first hour for attendance and load the bus at 9:15 a.m. We will return on Friday, February 3rd at approximately 2:40 p.m.

The cost for the camp is \$104.00. Profits from your son's magazine sales will be deducted from the \$104.00 cost. Your son's cost was included in the packets handed out in school. The only extra money your son will need is money for lunch on our return trip. We will be stopping at a fast food restaurant in Hinckley on Friday. If you choose, you may also send money for your son to shop at the camp store.

Chaperones for this trip will be Middle School faculty (Mr. Jurkovich, Mr. Loufek, Mr. Weber, Mr. Tangwe, Mr. Siegel) and eight junior and senior students.

A permission form to be signed and the Audubon Center health and medical release forms to be filled out are attached. (Please sign both sides of the Health form). All forms must be RETURNED BY JANUARY 18, 2011. You may keep the clothing list, which is also included. **ABSOLUTELY NO CELL PHONES, ELECTRONICS, FOOD OR DRINK ALLOWED.**

We consider this trip an excellent opportunity to learn about nature. We expect the students to respect the counselors and equipment in the camp. Your son will be responsible for any damage to the facility. We will be charged for any damage found. I would like to see all students attend the camp, however, we will be taking only students who have shown respect here at school. Any student who does not attend the camp is expected to be in school. If you wish to learn more about the camp, please visit their web site at www.audubon-center.org.

Realizing the economic volatility of the times, if there is any concern about this cost please contact Mr. Jurkovich at 651-683-1578, or for the purposes of confidentiality, Mr. Robley Evans at 651-683-1510. Conversely, should you care to help any of your son's classmates cover the cost of this program please contact either of the above mentioned people.

If you have any further questions, please call the Middle School office at 651-683-1520.

Sincerely,

Jamie Jurkovich
Director of the Middle School

**FORMS & CHECK DUE ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 17TH
(CHECK PAYABLE TO SAINT THOMAS ACADEMY)**