



HOME OF THE LIONS
NORTH DAVIS PREPARATORY ACADEMY

8th Grade Zion Campout Application



Applicant Name: _____

Applicant email: _____

Congratulations on wanting to apply for the 2018 Eighth Grade Zion Campout! The campout will take place May 18-21, 2018. This campout is a full camping experience in where we will be tent camping at the Watchman Campground in Zion National Park and doing activities in the park each day which will include legendary hikes such as Angel's Landing, and possibly even The Narrows. You will be learning survival skills and even how to cook meals for you and your fellow campers. Should you be selected to attend the campout, more information will be made available at the mandatory parent meeting at the end of March 2018. Until then, you need to get started on your application.

Campout details:

- Dates: May 18, 2018 – May 21, 2018
- Campout Fee: \$250
 - Included in fee:
 - ✓ Transportation to and from Zion National Park
 - ✓ Food while at Zion National Park and lunch for trip home
 - ✓ Camping Fees
 - ✓ Water hiking gear equipment rental for The Narrows or Kannaraville Falls (Runoff Levels will determine hike location)

Not Included in fee:

- ✓ Food for trip down to Zion National Park (Snack for Bus)
- ✓ Camping Equipment (Will be given more information on equipment needed if you are selected to attend)
- ✓ Personal spending money while on the trip

This application is in 5 parts. All parts must be completed and handed in together by the application deadline to be considered for the campout. Deadline for the application packet is **Friday, March 2, 2018**. Please hand in completed applications to Ms. Adams in Room 210.

Part 1: Essay questions. All essay responses are to be in MLA format and attached to your application.

- 1) Why do you feel you should be selected to attend the 2018 Zion Campout? (250 words or less)
- 2) If you are selected to participate, how do you think this campout will impact you? (250 words or less)

Part 2: Questionnaire – Please answer each question to the best of your ability.

- 1) Have you ever been on a campout before? _____
If yes, how many times in the past 5 years? _____
- 2) When you camp do you do backpacking, tent camping, RV camping or another type?

- 3) Have you ever cooked a meal before? _____
- 4) Have you ever been hiking before? _____

If so, what was the longest hike you did (estimate in Kilometers)?

- _____
- 5) Have you ever stayed a night away from your parents and family? _____
If so, how many nights? _____

- 6) What is your favorite part of spending time in nature? _____

- 7) Do you play any sports? If so, what? _____

- 8) If someone were to walk into your room right now, how would they describe it?

9) How long does it take you to get ready for school in the morning? _____

10) Your best friend needs help with something at their house on a Saturday. Is it okay to be late? Why or why not? _____

11) What is your favorite meal? _____

12) What is your favorite snack? _____

13) How much water do you typically drink in one day?
(estimate using Milliliters) _____

14) You are on a hike and see a deer run across the path. What is your first reaction? _____

15) On that same hike you then see a lizard run across the path. What is your reaction? _____

16) Same hike, same path, but now you see a spider. What is your reaction? _____

Part 3: Activity Log. You are required to complete 3 hikes or snowshoeing outings that are at least 1 hour in duration by February 28, 2018. Be sure to have a responsible adult with you and have them initial your log after you finish.

Hike #1:	Hike #2:	Hike #3:
Location:	Location:	Location:
_____	_____	_____
Date:	Date:	Date:
_____	_____	_____
Duration:	Duration:	Duration:
_____	_____	_____
Favorite part:	Favorite part:	Favorite part:
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
Adult Initial:	Adult Initial:	Adult Initial:
_____	_____	_____

Part 4: Adult Family Member Recommendation Letter

Have one adult family member complete a recommendation letter and attach it to this application. Have them explain why they think you should go on this campout and what they hope you will get out of attending.

Part 5: Teacher recommendation letters

Attached to this application are 3 blank recommendation letters. Fill each of them out with your name and subject and give to three of your teachers to complete and return to Ms. Adams no later than Friday, December 15, 2017. *You will not get these returned for your application submission, but please verify with your teachers that they have completed them for you.

Part 6: Application Final Submission

Please put all *parts of the application in the order listed in this packet. Staple them together and submit to Ms. Adams or Mr. Garcia no later than Friday, March 2, 2018.

*Teacher Recommendation forms will be given directly to Ms. Adams so will not be included in your final submission.

Once you have completed all aspects of this application please return the application package to Ms. Adams. The first 30 Eighth graders to complete the application process in its entirety will be selected to attend the campout. Good luck!

Sincerely,

Ms. Adams & Mr. Garcia

RECOMMENDATION OF APPLICANT FOR
8th Grade Zion Campout-2018

Applicant's Name _____

Teacher Name Recommending _____

Subject Taught _____

Dear Evaluator,

The above applicant is applying to attend the 2018 Eighth Grade Zion Campout. Please complete this evaluation form accurately because your opinion **does** matter! Please return this recommendation for the above mentioned student to Ms. Adams. **DO NOT** give back to the student. This recommendation form is due by the students to you no later than **Friday, December 15th**. If student requests you to complete this recommendation after this date please have them see Ms. Adams or Mr. Garcia.

PLEASE USE THE SCALE BELOW FOR OVERALL PERFORMANCE
IN THE AREAS LISTED

Please consider an 8-10 a high level, 5-7 a moderate level, and 1-4 to be a low level (where you feel the applicant's abilities in that area might hinder their success while attending the Zion Campout). Low scores do not jeopardize a student from attending; this will give us an idea of where we might need to support them more.

____/10 Independent work ethic

____/10 Positive interaction with peers and/or adults

____/10 Maturity level, cooperation, attitude

____/10 Respect for authority

____/10 Follow through with responsibilities (including attendance, when needed)

Total ____/50

Based on your experience with the applicant, do you think s/he would be able to work cooperatively, take responsibility for their actions, and if they attend the Zion Campout, do you think it would affect them in a positive way? _____ Please explain: _____

Please return this recommendation letter to Rhonda Adams (room 210) by Tuesday, December 19, 2017. Thank you so much for your honest feedback!

RECOMMENDATION OF APPLICANT FOR
8th Grade Zion Campout-2018

Applicant's Name _____

Teacher Name Recommending _____

Subject Taught _____

Dear Evaluator,

The above applicant is applying to attend the 2018 Eighth Grade Zion Campout. Please complete this evaluation form accurately because your opinion **does** matter! Please return this recommendation for the above mentioned student to Ms. Adams. **DO NOT** give back to the student. This recommendation form is due by the students to you no later than **Friday, December 15th**. If student requests you to complete this recommendation after this date please have them see Ms. Adams or Mr. Garcia.

PLEASE USE THE SCALE BELOW FOR OVERALL PERFORMANCE
IN THE AREAS LISTED

Please consider an 8-10 a high level, 5-7 a moderate level, and 1-4 to be a low level (where you feel the applicant's abilities in that area might hinder their success while attending the Zion Campout). Low scores do not jeopardize a student from attending; this will give us an idea of where we might need to support them more.

____/10 Independent work ethic

____/10 Positive interaction with peers and/or adults

____/10 Maturity level, cooperation, attitude

____/10 Respect for authority

____/10 Follow through with responsibilities (including attendance, when needed)

Total ____/50

Based on your experience with the applicant, do you think s/he would be able to work cooperatively, take responsibility for their actions, and if they attend the Zion Campout, do you think it would affect them in a positive way? _____ Please explain: _____

Please return this recommendation letter to Rhonda Adams (room 210) by Tuesday, December 19, 2017. Thank you so much for your honest feedback!

RECOMMENDATION OF APPLICANT FOR
8th Grade Zion Campout-2018

Applicant's Name _____

Teacher Name Recommending _____

Subject Taught _____

Dear Evaluator,

The above applicant is applying to attend the 2018 Eighth Grade Zion Campout. Please complete this evaluation form accurately because your opinion **does** matter! Please return this recommendation for the above mentioned student to Ms. Adams. **DO NOT** give back to the student. This recommendation form is due by the students to you no later than **Friday, December 15th**. If student requests you to complete this recommendation after this date please have them see Ms. Adams or Mr. Garcia.

PLEASE USE THE SCALE BELOW FOR OVERALL PERFORMANCE
IN THE AREAS LISTED

Please consider an 8-10 a high level, 5-7 a moderate level, and 1-4 to be a low level (where you feel the applicant's abilities in that area might hinder their success while attending the Zion Campout). Low scores do not jeopardize a student from attending; this will give us an idea of where we might need to support them more.

____/10 Independent work ethic

____/10 Positive interaction with peers and/or adults

____/10 Maturity level, cooperation, attitude

____/10 Respect for authority

____/10 Follow through with responsibilities (including attendance, when needed)

Total ____/50

Based on your experience with the applicant, do you think s/he would be able to work cooperatively, take responsibility for their actions, and if they attend the Zion Campout, do you think it would affect them in a positive way? _____ Please explain: _____

Please return this recommendation letter to Rhonda Adams (room 210) by Tuesday, December 19, 2017. Thank you so much for your honest feedback!