



RIVER RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents of 8th Grade and 7th Accelerated Science Students,

On Friday, December 8, 2023, students in the 8th Grade and 7th Accelerated Science classes have an exciting opportunity to get first-hand experience related to various units on Space by participating in a field trip to NASA Visitor Complex at Kennedy Space Center (KSC), Cape Canaveral!

We will leave school at 6:00 am and return at approximately 8:30 pm. Over the course of the day, students will have the chance to visit numerous exhibits, take tours, and participate in simulations throughout the site. We will spend the entire day (normal operating hours of 9am to 5pm) exploring KSC. Please arrive promptly to pick up your child upon our return.

TICKETS FOR THIS EVENT ARE LIMITED TO 200 STUDENTS and are sold on a first-come, first-served basis. **Price for the trip is \$85.** This price includes transportation (charter bus), a T-shirt, admission to KSC, and a meal voucher. As a meal is included, students should not pack a lunch, nor will one be ordered from the RRMS cafeteria. The group T-shirt for this event **MUST** be worn during the trip. If you are late for the 6am bus departure - you will **NOT** be granted a refund. Students may be denied this privilege if they are not academically on-track for the first semester or if they receive a referral during the 2nd quarter.

PARENTS: If you are interested in attending as a chaperone, you must be a district-approved volunteer. **Parent-chaperones must also pay the \$85 cost.** To add your name to the chaperone pool, please visit the RRMS website and complete the mach form linked to the NASA trip info page. Not all who apply will be asked to serve as chaperones. And while we hope it is not necessary, chaperones must be aware of the possibility of driving their own vehicle to KSC as bus-space is limited.

Student payment and permission forms are due no later than November 10, but remember, tickets are limited, so the sooner the better. Full payment can be made by cash, check (payable to RRMS), or online at GoFan.co (will include an additional service fee). **No partial payments will be accepted.** If paying by cash or check, turn in permission forms with your payment. If paying online, turn in permission forms **AFTER** you have paid, not before. **ALL** permission forms (and cash/check payments) should be given **ONLY to Mr. Coller** (room 23-238, maroon hall). Chaperones will purchase their tickets after we have finalized the list based on need, and after district-approval status has been verified. **DO NOT** purchase a chaperone ticket until you have been notified by me that you are indeed part of the trip. **There will be no refunds for any reason after the November 10 due date.**

Thank you and please let me know if you have any questions.

Ed Coller
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**DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF PASCO COUNTY
PARENT RELEASE**

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TRANSPORTATION BY:

School Bus/Van ___ Private ___ Vehicle ___ Walking ___ Charter Bus **X** PCPT ___

Date of Field Trip **FRI, DEC 8, 2023** Sponsor **Mr. Collier**

In consideration of _____ having been accepted by the
Student Name - Please Print Date of Birth

principal, teacher(s) or other personnel of **River Ridge Middle** School of the District School

Board of Pasco County to go on a school sponsored trip to **Kennedy Space Center**,

and I, the undersigned, understand that my child, if transported by a privately owned vehicle, charter bus, school bus or walking, hereby release the District School Board of Pasco County, the individual members of said Board, the Superintendent, the principal, teachers or other employees of the school, and volunteer leaders from any financial responsibility because of sickness of the student while going to, returning from, or attending said field trip or because of any accident in which the student is injured. To ensure prompt attention in case of sickness or accident, I hereby authorize the person(s) in charge of said trip to incur expense considered necessary for treatment, and I agree to pay for same if this is in excess of the amount paid by any accident or health insurance policy that may be in effect at the time of the sickness or accident.

In any situation in which the safety and security of students might be compromised (e.g., Red Alert Status issued by the Department of Homeland Security, severe weather conditions, etc.) the District School Board of Pasco County will take the necessary steps to ensure the safety of its students and staff, including the cancellation of scheduled field trips and school events. Should this trip or event be cancelled as a result of such an event, the District cannot guarantee any monies (including deposits) will be refunded by the vendor(s) associated with this transaction. Therefore, students, parents, guardians, etc., are hereby cautioned and advised that the District will not be liable for any reimbursements associated with this event that are not refunded by the vendor(s) and returned to the District.

I have documented below all precautions/instructions regarding my child's medication. I have noted any special health related conditions or allergies regarding my child. I understand that the trained school employee who usually dispenses medication may or may not be present during the trip. Medications will be dispensed by a trained school employee (in accordance with Board Policy 5330).

_____ Student name

_____ Student ID

STUDENT SHIRT SIZE: (circle one)						
XS	S	M	L	XL	2X	3X
(standard adult sizes)						

Please list any medication(s) your child is currently taking (at home or school): (Dosages/Times)

Allergies: _____ Additional Health Concerns: _____

_____ Name of Parent or Guardian – Please Print Date

_____ Signature of Parent or Guardian Primary Phone Alternate Phone Business Phone

_____ Street, Rural Route, or P.O. Box

_____ City State Zip Code

_____ Name of Additional Emergency Contact / Relationship to Student Phone