



Journey's School of Teton Science Schools

Integrating ecology, culture and community to ensure academic excellence and personal success in a Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade college-preparatory, independent school setting.

September 30, 2010

Dear Parents and Students,

The kindergarten, first and second grade students will participate in our first extended journey on Wednesday, October 6th and will have a "Cozy Up Day" on Thursday, October 7th with an optional early release Thursday afternoon. Please see the schedule for specific information about the days and times when families are invited to join us in our learning adventure!

Healthy Community Journey Wednesday, October 6; 8:15am to 6:00pm

Goals:

- 1.) *Learn about different aspects of our community that help make our community healthy.*
- 2.) *Work in an expert group to analyze and synthesize information in order to teach it to others.*
- 3.) *Participate in our Healthy Community Fair and learn at least one fact from each expert group.*
- 4.) *Encourage students to become active learners outside of the classroom and feel connected to their community and how it works.*

Schedule:

- 8:15 Regular Arrival and morning meeting
- 9:00 -11:30 Break into one of four expert groups for our journeys into the community (healthy food/nutrition, healing and maintaining healthy bodies, staying fit/exercise exploration, the mountaineering community) Snack included
- 11:30-12:30 Return to Journey's School for lunch and recess
- 12:30-1:30 Learning reflections and expert group reading/quiet time
- 1:30-2:30 Expert group planning for the Healthy Community Fair
- 2:30-3:00 Fair set-up
- 3:00-3:30 Snack and down time
- **3:30-4:30 Healthy Community Fair : FAMILIES INVITED TO ATTEND**
- **4:45- 5:30 FAMILY POT LUCK**
- **5:30 Thank you circle and dismissal**

****Families are invited to join us from 3:30 to 6 pm to see a demonstration of the students' learning during the fair and eat a healthy pot luck meal with our elementary community. Please bring a favorite healthy family main dish, side dish or salad. We do have the capacity to warm some dishes in ovens or on the stove top. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Also, to make clean up easier, please bring dishes, cups, cutlery and napkins for your family that you can pack home to wash along with your pot luck dish.**

Thursday, October 7th will be a "Cozy Up Day". Students may wear warm pajamas to school for a morning of quiet, cozy reading and writing activities. After lunch we will watch third through fifth grade presentations of the week-long journey they will have completed. THERE WILL BE AN OPTIONAL EARLY RELEASE AT 1:30 PM FOR ALL ELEMENTARY STUDENTS. PLEASE LET YOUR CHILD'S ADVISOR KNOW IF YOU PLAN ON PICKING HIM/HER UP EARLY AT THE CLASSROOM.

We look forward to sharing our learning with you! If you have any questions, please contact Shannon Shuptrine (Shannon.shuptrine@journeyschool.org) 734-9860

Thank you!



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