

August 28, 2017



Dear Parents,

On **Friday, September 8th**, the sixth graders will be heading out for their first hike! We will travel to Lost River Gorge in Kinsman Notch to explore the caves and walk the trails. In connection with our environment studies, we will be looking at the ecological system, including the organisms able to grow there. Students need to bring a snack and lunch, in addition to the regular outdoor education items. Our schedule will be:

- 8:30 a.m. Depart from B.E.S.
- 9:00 a.m. Arrive at Lost River
Have snack at picnic shelter
- 9:15 a.m. Tour of Lost River Gorge and caves
- 11:30 p.m. Lunch in picnic shelter
- 12:10 p.m. Nature Trail hike
- 1:15 p.m. Depart for school
- 2:00 p.m. Return

As always, we rely on parent volunteers to drive and chaperone small groups. **Due to budget changes, chaperones will need to pay the \$15 entry and tour fee.** Please indicate below if you will be able to join us on this exciting adventure. (Don't worry – all caves can be bypassed if you'd prefer!) Please sign the permission slip and return it by Thursday, August 31. Please use the attached form if you would like to order a bag lunch from school.

Thanks!
Ms. Dubreuil and Ms. Meehan

Return form below on Thursday, 8/31

Lost River Field Trip

"I give my permission for _____ to participate in the Lost River field trip. I recognize that there may be risks of personal injury associated with these activities and release (and hold harmless) the SAU #35, B.E.S., and their employees and volunteers assisting in these activities from any manner of actions or claims related thereto."

Parent Signature

Date

____ YES! I can drive and chaperone students for the Lost River Trip.

I can transport ____ students with individual seat belts.

(A current copy of a valid driver's license, registration and insurance coverage stating at least \$100,000/\$300,000 liability **must** be on file in the office.)

___ Yes, the \$15 for my entrance fee is enclosed

___ No, I will pay the \$15 entrance fee on site.