

Homer Middle School 7th grade Field Trips April 4, 2018

To Pratt Museum and Islands & Ocean Visitor Center

Dear Students and Parents,

On Wednesday, April 4, seventh grade Homer Middle School students will be visiting the Pratt Museum and Islands & Ocean Visitor Center. Educators from these institutions have prepared interesting and meaningful activities to help students discover some of the great resources in our community.

Students are in one of four groups. Two groups will spend the morning at the Pratt Museum, while the other two groups will spend the morning at Islands & Ocean Visitor Center. All students will return to the middle school for lunch. In the afternoon, each group will visit the other venue. **Students will return to school by 2:15 for dismissal on this early release day.** We will be walking to the Pratt and Islands & Oceans from the middle school and back again. We will be leaving school soon after 9:00, our regular start time. Students should dress appropriately with footwear and outerwear conducive to our short walks.

Please have the attached permission slip signed and returned to Ms Blanding by Thursday, March 29. If there are questions or concerns, please contact us at 235-5291 or at mblanding@kpbsd.k12.ak.us.

Other important events:

*Wednesday and Thursday, March 28 and 29, are PEAKS testing days. Seventh graders will be testing in the mornings, with classes in the afternoon. Our schedules will be altered a bit this week and next week to accommodate testing for all students. More information about testing is available on the school website.

*Seventh graders have been working on a large science project in both science and language arts classes. The final due date for this project is Thursday, April 5, which is the day after our field trips. Students will be presenting their projects in their science classes.

Thank you,

Homer Middle School 7th Grade Teachers

Margi Blanding

Bonnie Jason

Ingrid McKinstry

Dan Olson

**STUDENT INDEMNIFICATION STATEMENT (Waiver of Liability)
STUDENT CONSENT FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT
STUDENT CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE ***

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| Student Name: _____ | School: | Homer Middle School _____ |
| Activity : _____ | Field Trip: | Pratt Museum and Islands & Ocean Visitor Center _____ |
| Date(s) of trip: _____ | Sport Season (if applicable): | na _____ |

To the maximum extent allowed by law, I agree to hold harmless the Kenai Peninsula Borough and School District and its employees, directors, and designees (hereafter "District") for expenses relating to injuries (up to and including death), accidents, diseases, property damage, and/or property loss which may occur as a result of the student's participation in the above named activity on the above named field trip except to the extent such injuries are directly caused by the reckless or intentional actions of the District.

I understand that the District provides limited secondary student accident insurance coverage for travel within the US and Canada (overseas insurance may be purchased separately) and no liability insurance that would cover a student's actions. I understand that the District's insurance is effective only when my student is immediately and directly supervised. It will be my responsibility to provide for payment of such expenses beyond the secondary limited accident insurance, should they occur. Due to the fact that the secondary coverage provided by the District is not effective outside of the US and Canada, parents of students going on these trips outside the US will be required to provide proof of insurance. I am aware of the hazards associated with the transportation to and from, as well as participation in, this activity.

STUDENTS WILL BE WALKING TO THE PRATT MUSEUM AND ISLANDS & OCEANS VISITOR CENTER.

I give my permission for the above listed student to be transported by school personnel or their designees and to participate in the above listed activity, OR

I will be transporting my own child (only) via my own auto, airplane, _____ and understand that I alone will be liable for my own personal insurance and any subsequent expenses for the transport of my child. I understand that transporting my own child does not qualify me to attend or chaperone the field trip. Chaperones are required to complete *E 6153(h) Chaperone/Volunteer Indemnification Statement* and a background check is also required.

I understand that all District and school rules and regulations will apply while the above named student is on a school-sponsored field trip. Violations of a serious nature will result in the student being sent home immediately at my expenses. School discipline will result for infractions of school rules while the student is on a school-sponsored trip.

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I understand this waiver is voluntary, and I fully understand the potential risks.

I also authorize any necessary emergency medical treatment to be administered to the above named student. Allergies and/or special medical instructions for the student are attached.

Additional information is available through __Margi Blanding____ (trip organizer's name) at phone: _ 235-5700_____ and school: __Homer Middle School_____.

Parent/Guardian Printed Name Parent/Guardian Signature Parent Phone Number Date

Emergency Contact Name Emergency Phone Number Home Phone Number

* Form to be completed for each field trip or single event; form to be completed once for each specific sports season

Original – Principal, Copy – Parent, Copy – Coach/Sponsor

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