

A PARENT'S GUIDE TO BEING A CHAPERONE

A Chaperone is Valuable!

The job of the volunteer chaperone is more important than you may realize. Your help and participation:

- Shows your child that you are involved in his or her school activities.
- Increases the supervision of all children taking a trip.
- Allows us to take your child to more places. Most places require a specific number of chaperones per group.
- Adds to the fun for the group and for your child!!

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Parent chaperones add to
the fun of the trip!!

What is expected of chaperones?

- Remember that field trips are for the children, not for the adults.
- Be prompt.
- Dress appropriately. Our staff are required to dress modestly.
- The lead teacher will assign each chaperone a small group of children to supervise.
- Supervise all children in your small group, not just your child.
- Remain with your small group.
- You and your small group will remain in close proximity to the rest of the group.
- Learn the names of the children in your small group.
- Frequently count your small group to be sure you have all children.
- Immediately report to the lead teacher if you are missing anyone.
- Model polite behavior.
- Listen when leaders are speaking.
- Monitor voice volume.
- Refrain from smoking or using profane language.
- Volunteer chaperones who exhibit inappropriate behavior may be asked to leave at their own expense.
- Please ask administration if you would like family members to attend.
- Refrain from purchasing items for children.
- Remember the importance of confidentiality.

There are many advantages to being a chaperone for your child's field trips.

- *Experience field trips right along with your child.*
- *Get to know the teachers, your child's classmates, and their parents.*
- *See new places from your child's perspective.*
- *Spend valuable time with your child at school.*
- *Your assistance makes the trip safer for your child and others.*



Chaperones add more supervision to the group.