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Farm School  
In-State, Overnight Field Trip Application  
Athol, MA

Group 1 - April 24-26, 2022

Group 2 - April 26-28, 2022

For review and consideration by the  
Brookline School Committee

Approval Route:	Approved	Denied	*Returned
Copies to:	<i>[Signature]</i>		
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE	_____	_____	_____
MEETING DATE	_____		
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APPLICATION FOR ALL ~~IN-STATE, OVERNIGHT~~ FIELD TRIPS

**TRIP LOGISTICS:**

- 1. Name of Field Trip: Farm School
- 2. Educator Requesting Field Trip Approval: \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. School: Driscoll School Grade Level: 8
- 4. Have you reviewed the School Committee Policy 13 a. for School Sponsored Field Trips? Yes
- 5. Have you reviewed the document "Administrative Procedures for School Sponsored Field Trips"? Yes
- 6. Have you reviewed the document "Field Trip Planning Guide"? Yes

*These documents can be found in the Staff Portal of the district website ([www.brookline.k12.ma.us](http://www.brookline.k12.ma.us)) in the Office of Teaching and Learning link.*

- 7. What is your destination? Farm School, 488 Moore Hill Road, Athol, MA 01331
- 8. What is the date and time you are leaving school? April 24, 2023 - Group 1 April 26, 2023 - Group 2
- 9. What is the date and time you are returning to school? April 26, 2023 - Group 1 April 29, 2023 - Group 2
- 10. Do the dates of the trip conflict with any religious holidays or observances? No
- 11. How many days will students miss from school? 3 days for each group
- 12. How are students being transported (school bus, chartered bus, plane, rail, etc)? Bus

*If students are traveling via bus, please complete the Requirements for Field Trip Transportation via Bus form.*

- 13. How many students will be participating in the field trip? 30<sup>+31</sup> each group, 61 overall
- 14. What members of the student body are eligible for the trip? All 8th Grade students
- 15. How are students selected to participate in this field trip? They are not selected. All 8th graders go
- 16. Where will students be staying? In a dorm on the farm in Athol, MA

- 17. What are the names and cell phone numbers of the primary staff chaperones on the trip?  
Michelle Bartley Jacquelyn Lavigne  
Jesse Cochran

- 18. Other than those listed in #16 above, what are the names and roles (teacher, parent, etc) of other adult chaperones who will be on the trip?  
Mr. Eric Hazlinsky, Gr. 6/7 Science teacher,  
Ms. Courtney Hart, Gr. 8 ELA teacher, Mr. Ryan McManus,  
Gr. 7/8 Science teacher

**EDUCATIONAL RELEVANCE**

- 19. What is the purpose of the trip and how does it relate to Brookline's Learning Expectations (K-8) or BHS Course Syllabi? Social Studies: Describe impact on farmers during the Great Depression; Health - self esteem: Dealing with mistakes, goal setting. Nutrition: Review the basic nutritional needs of the human body.

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20. Describe activities planned before the trip to prepare students: Preparation is made in English and in Science for activities at the Farm.
21. Describe activities planned after the trip for students to wrap-up/reflect: In English and Science post activities extend the Farm School experience.

**ACCESSIBILITY AND STUDENT SAFETY**

22. To what extent does the field trip group reflect the diversity of the school population? What efforts will be undertaken to ensure that, to the greatest extent possible, the participants in this field trip reflect the diversity of the school population? Our entire 8th grade goes on this trip.

23. What measures are planned to ensure student safety on the trip, including chaperone coverage, student behavior contracts, etc. This is a well established Farm School that is licensed and very experienced in supervising children at a farm.

24. What is the name and location of the medical facility closest to your destination? Athal Memorial Hospital, 2033 Main Street, Athol, MA 01331  
Ph: 978-249-3511

25. Will students be swimming? (please note: if swimming is planned, parents must give explicit written permission for their child to swim; students who do not have this express written permission will not be allowed to swim) No

**FUNDING**

26. What is the total cost of the trip? Please detail the major components of the trip below and provide a total. (add/edit headings as necessary)

Lodging	\$ 18,000
Travel	\$ 3,000
Meals	
Admissions/Tickets	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 21,000</b>

27. How will the field trip be funded? Students' families pay for this trip

28. What accommodations are made for students who cannot afford the expenses of this trip? Are partial and/or full scholarships available? There are scholarships available, funded by the PTO. Anyone who asks for a scholarship gets one.

29. If fundraisers are planned to help lower the cost of the trip for all students, please describe those plans here: None are planned.

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*If you need any assistance as you complete this application,  
please contact the Office of Teaching and Learning at 617-730-2432.*

**Signatures:**

Educator Requesting Field Trip Approval: David Youkilis Date: 10/3/22

Principal: [Signature] Date: 10/3/22