

Dear Potential Chaperone:

Thank you for your interest in wanting to volunteer for our much-acclaimed High Notes Music Festival at Dorney Park. This is a yearly tradition among the middle schools in Township and a highly anticipated event to showcase the prowess of our music program and our performing arts students. Your support is necessary for the success of this trip. This trip, like any field trip or curricular-trip, is an extension of our school campus so the Code of Student Conduct and BOE Policies and Regulations still dictate our behavior even though we are far from Bunker Hill. By volunteering to chaperone, you are recognizing the previously mentioned information and agree to comply to that statement. You will also agree that you will take the school bus and remain with the students in the park. As a chaperone, you will not be permitted to meet the student body at the events. Your supervision is needed to board the bus, ensure proper behavior on the bus, supervise the students at the events, and make sure all students are acting accordingly.

This is a unique field trip in that Dorney Park has eating establishments that serve alcoholic beverages to individuals 21 years of age or older. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE, it is NOT permissible during a school sponsored event. Because field trips are extensions of school it becomes part of school campus therefore is subject to our policies.

Enclosed are the following Policies/Regulations of Washington Township Public Schools that govern the above:

- Policy 7435 – Alcoholic Beverages on School Premises
- Policy and Regulation 9180 – School Volunteers

Additionally, as a chaperone you are committing to maintaining not only the safety of the students but ensuring that you understand the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Policy of Washington Township Public Schools and know how to intervene should you see a potential HIB occur. This Policy (Policy 5512) is included. As a volunteer, you must sign the Statement of Assurance (also enclosed) verifying that you have read and understood the Policy 5512, which is the HIB Policy.

By signing below you are attesting that you have:

- Read and understood this letter
- Read and understood Policy 5512, Policy 7435, and Policy/Regulation 9180
- Read, understood, and signed the HIB Policy Statement of Assurance
- Agree to take the bus with the students and not use your personal vehicle to drive to the events.

(A copy of this document can be provided upon your request)

Sincerely,

Mike D'Ostilio
Principal

Printed Name: _____

Signed Name: _____ Date _____