

**Westminster Christian Academy**  
*Sixth Grade Field Trip Information*  
May 28, 2010

Dear Parents,

It's time to begin planning for our upcoming field trip to Hargis, located in Chelsea, Alabama. As you may know, the 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be participating in a program called Project American Life, which is a hands-on, civics-based program designed to help students understand the blessings and freedoms that they enjoy as Americans. They will learn about the Declaration of Independence, different forms of government, and many other topics that will help them as we go through the American history curriculum.

The dates of our trip this year are Sept. 14-17, 2010. We will be riding in a chartered bus, and some of our chaperones will also take their own cars. The cost of the trip includes 2 female and 4 male chaperones, and additional chaperones may go for the fee of \$220. Please let Mrs. Baker know if you would like to go as a chaperone this year. The final decision on the "free" chaperones will be made in August. If you are not able to go as a chaperone, please do not ask to visit as this causes homesickness for others.

One or more camp staff members and/or WCA chaperones will supervise students during the day, and WCA chaperones will supervise students at night. Students and WCA chaperones stay in large cabins, and bathrooms are located within each cabin. Boys stay downstairs, and girls stay upstairs. Meals are served in a cafeteria, and students have given the food two thumbs up in the past!

A complete list of supplies, including bedding for the bunk beds, will be available with the permission slip. Please remember that electronic devices and cell phones are not allowed. We will allow students to borrow a chaperone's phone for a quick call home at designated times if needed. Please do not ask your child to call you at bedtime, as this also causes homesickness. Also, there is no need to send any money with your child.

Our daily schedule includes a flag ceremony in the morning, meals, and planned group activities during the day. There will be very little free time, and "lights out" will be in the neighborhood of 9:00-10:00 p.m., depending on the activities of the day.

Our contact person for this trip is [Dawn.Baker@wca-hsv.org](mailto:Dawn.Baker@wca-hsv.org) if you have any questions. You may also want to check out Project American Life's website at [www.projectamericanlifealabama.com](http://www.projectamericanlifealabama.com). We will have an informational meeting after school starts that should answer many questions that you may have.

Please pray for the teachers, students, staff, and chaperones as we prepare for this trip!

In His service,

Dawn Baker  
Caroline Sellers

## WCA 2010 Sixth Grade Supply List

7 pocket folders (with brads) in 7 different colors  
Loose-leaf paper (white, college-ruled, 3-hole punch)  
1 solid-colored, plain spiral notebook (1-subject, college-ruled, 70 pages)  
1 composition notebook  
Mechanical pencils & extra lead  
Black erasable pens  
Colored pens—not red, but any other color is fine  
1 box of fine point Crayola markers  
1 box of Crayola colored pencils  
Small pencil sharpener (not battery-powered)  
1 box of 24-ct. Crayola crayons  
1 pkg. 3x5 white lined index cards  
1 large glue stick  
1 homework journal (assignment planner)  
5 book covers

2 large boxes of Kleenex  
1 roll of paper towels  
1 container of Clorox wipes  
1 box of zipper-closed plastic sandwich bags

6<sup>th</sup> grade girls taking PE - Girls are required to wear mid-thigh length spandex underneath shorts OR wear “basketball” length shorts OR wear sweat pants. There is to be NO writing on the back side of the shorts or sweat pants.

6<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls taking PE - Shirt worn for PE must follow the WCA handbook rules for t-shirts. Students will need a lock for the gym locker if they wish to leave PE clothes in the locker room. A combination lock is preferred.

6th grade band needs:

1 black 1/2"-1" binder

page protectors

pencil

*Standard of Excellence* Book 2 (for your specific instrument)

6th grade music needs:

one folder or binder

divider tabs

Don't forget about 6<sup>th</sup> grade summer reading!

*Call It Courage* by Armstrong Sperry