



Sacred Heart School

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Local Field Trip Parent Permission Letter

Field Trip Activity VISIT TO A MUSEUM

Location/ Destination Drumheller Royal Tyrrell Museum & Atlas Coal Mine

Field Trip Details

This two-day field trip brings science to life with educational activities that make learning a blast. Day one: guided badlands hike - your chance to prospect for dinosaur fossils, hands-on workshops, explore Museum gallery, supper in the Museum, cast a Museum fossil to take home, enjoy swimming, watersliding in the pool at the Drumheller Aquaplex. Night accommodations - in world-famous Dinosaur Hall - where you'll roll out your sleeping bag beside some of the biggest creatures to rule the Cretaceous. Day Two breakfast in the Museum cafeteria, more entertainment in the Museum auditorium visit Atlas Coal Mine; Suspension Bridge; Hoodoos.

Group Itinerary Sacred Heart School grade 4 Students

DAY 1: Thursday, June 13, 2019

8:00 am Load Bus

8:20 am Depart from Sacred Heart School

11:20 – 11:50 am Arrive in Drumheller and visit the Largest Dinosaur (shopping if necessary)

Parents who are driving are to meet at the LARGE DINOSAUR by the AQUAPLEX in Drumheller.

11:50 am – 12:20 pm Lunch at the Largest Dinosaur – students own bagged lunch – depart at 12:20

12:30 pm Arrival at the Museum, check in at the Program Desk, unload day packs from vehicle(s). All other gear stays on the bus in the underneath compartment. * Bus will be leaving

the site and will return for 8 pm.

12:45 pm Orientation in Auditorium with the Science Educator(s)

1:15 – 2:15 pm Badlands Hike (or indoor program in case of inclement conditions) Group

1 Workshop #1 Ancient Alberta Rocks Group 2

2:15 – 2:45 pm Snack break in the Cafeteria

2:45 – 3:45 pm Workshop #1:

Ancient Alberta Rocks

Group 1 Badlands Hike (or indoor program in case of inclement conditions) Group 2

*3:45 – 4:50 pm Unguided gallery walk with chaperones. (No Giftshop visit at this time).

4:50 – 5:00 pm Orientation in the Auditorium with Host

5:00 – 5:40 pm Supper in the Cafeteria

5:45 – 6:45 pm Workshop #2:

Raptors in Action

Group 1 Fossil Casting

Group 2

6:45 – 7:00 pm Break

7:00 – 8:00 pm Fossil Casting

Group 1 Workshop #2:

Raptors in Action Group 2

8:00 – 8:15 pm Departure from the Museum, arrival and orientation at the Badlands Community Facility.

8:30 – 9:30 pm Swimming at the Aquaplex

9:45 pm Departure from Aquaplex, return to the Museum, unload overnight gear

10:00 pm Snack in the Cafeteria, bed down in the Dinosaur Hall.

Lights out between 10:30 – 11:00pm!

DAY 2: Friday, June 14, 2019

7:00 am Rise and shine, pack up your gear and load into vehicles

7:30 – 8:15 am Breakfast in the Cafeteria

8:15 – 8:30 am Auditorium presentation

8:30 – 9:00 am Giftshop time – Students immediately board the bus after making their purchases or if they are not shopping

9:00 am Departure from the Museum to Suspension Bridge and Hoodoos

9:15 – 10:00 am Suspension Bridge. Pictures on the other side.

Snack at Suspension Bridge

Hoodoos –

Pictures at the Hoodoos

10:00 – 10:15 am Depart for Atlas Coal Mine

10:30 am – 12:00 pm
 Tipple Tour (Group 1)
 (75 min.) Lunch at 11:45 Tunnel Tour (Group 2)
 (90 min.) Tunnel Tour (Group 3)
 (90 min.)
 12:00 – 1:00 pm Tunnel Tour at 12:45 Lunch Lunch
 1:00 – 2:15 pm
 Tunnel Tour (Group 1)
 (90 min.) Tipple Tour (Group 2)
 (75 min.) Tipple Tour (Group 3)
 (75 min.)
 2:15 – 3:15 pm Train Train Train
 3:15 pm Load Bus
 3:30 pm Depart Drumheller
 6:30 pm ARRIVE BACK AT SACRED HEART SCHOOL

In accordance with school policy, students are to be on the bus and not riding with parents for this field trip.

IMPORTANT:

Grade 4's need to be ready in the morning as there is a very busy day scheduled. Students pack all their gear into the bus before breakfast, and then have breakfast and Alberta Un Earthed (ABU) and Gift Shop as scheduled. In order to leave on time, students go right onto the bus after they had made their purchases in the gift shop. Since everything is loaded already, departure time will be 9:30 from the Royal Tyrrell Museum.

Date of Field Trip	Start: <u>Jun 13, 2019</u>	Time of Departure	<u>8:20</u>
	End: <u>Jun 14, 2019</u>	Time of Departure from Venue	<u>3:30</u>
		Time of Return	<u>6:30</u>
Cost	\$100.00 per participant		

Integration of the events and activities with Program of Studies / Educational Value

GRADE 4 Drumheller Trip June 13 (Thurssday) and June 14 (Friday)

Dear Parents:

The Grade 4 class will be attending the Royal Tyrrell Museum in Drumheller on June 13 and 14, 2019.

Listed below is the curriculum fit the programming at the Tyrrell Museum has to offer:

Grade Four

There's a lot to see and just as much to do at the world-renowned Royal Tyrrell Museum.

Edutour

This two-day field trip brings science to life with educational activities that make learning a blast.

Day One

We'll take you on a guided badlands hike - your chance to prospect for dinosaur fossils; two hands-on workshops specific to grade 4 level; explore the Museum gallery on your own; supper in the Museum cafeteria;

every student makes a cast of a Museum fossil to take home; enjoy an hour of swimming, watersliding in the pool, or relax in the hot tub at the Drumheller Aquaplex

When you return to the Museum, your host(ess) will show you to your accommodations - our world-famous Dinosaur Hall - where you'll roll out your sleeping bag beside some of the biggest creatures to rule the Cretaceous.

Day Two

breakfast in the Museum cafeteria

more entertainment in the Museum auditorium

visit Atlas Coal Mine, Hoodoos, and the Suspension Bridge

Student: \$100.00 (programs, meals, accommodations and all taxes included at the museum).

Parent Supervisors \$100.00.

Students provide their own pillows, sleeping mats and sleeping bags. A bagged lunch is required on June 13.

Curriculum Extensions

What to expect:

Students participate in a curriculum-set program, swim at the Drumheller Aquaplex, and bunk down in our world-renowned Dinosaur Hall! Price includes all activities and materials, two snacks, supper and breakfast, and admission to the Museum.

Who can participate?

The program is for Sacred Heart students in Grade 4. Adult chaperones (age 18+ and a parent of a child in Grade 4) are required to attend at a ratio of one to every eight students. Adults not included in the chaperone count and siblings of students, or other children not registered in the class, are not permitted to attend or participate in any portion of the Edutour program (there are no exceptions).

SEVEN WONDERS OF THE BADLANDS / BADLANDS HIKE

Rocks that come alive, trees that tell stories, and the mysterious popcorn rock are just a few of the wonders that you discover on this hike through the badlands. With expert guidance, students unlock the ancient secrets of this mysterious landscape.

What better place to experience fossil hunting than in the badlands! On this guided hike, we unravel the mysteries of this alien-looking landscape. With expert guidance your students have the opportunity to prospect for dinosaur bones. An alternative program will be in place in case of inclement weather.

Curriculum connections:

Grade 4

Regions of Alberta Social Topic A

FOSSIL CASTING

In this popular program, each student creates a replica of a Museum fossil to take home - complete with details about the fossil's age and where it was found. Participants also learn how moulds and casts are made at the Museum, and get "hands-on" with some real fossils. Students in grades 5 - 12 examine the chemical reaction involved in the casting process.

Allergy Alert: latex moulds are used in the making of the casts.

Curriculum connections:

Grade 4

Building With a Variety of Materials

ALBERTA UNEARTHED: THE GAME

Winner of the 2011 Interpretation Canada Silver Award Who wants to be a palaeontologist? This interactive game show focuses on specimens from the Museum's newest exhibit and challenges the audience with images, video clips, puzzles and multiple choice questions. Are you ready to play?

RAPTORS IN ACTION

Large brains, razor-sharp teeth and sickle-like claws are just a few of the adaptations that made these dinosaurs highly successful predators. Working in groups, your students will build a working model of a dinosaur leg. Each group then takes their model into "action" by competing in a relay race that simulates the hunting techniques of these carnivorous beasts.

Curriculum connections:

Grade 4 Building Devices and Vehicles that Move

ATLAS COAL MINE

The Atlas Coal mine Historic Site is famous for fascinating underground tours, train tours, and tippie tours. "Remember to breathe" at this authentic Drumheller attraction, where we tell true tales of mines and men. Every year there are more things to do at this Alberta coal mining museum. Go underground. Ride the narrow gauge train. Hear a ghost story in one of the haunted places. Visit this breathtaking mining museum in east Coulee, the last coal mine in Drumheller, Alberta ...the heart of the Canadian Badlands.

School Tunnel Tour

Put on a miner's lamp and venture up the underground! Students ascend 70 meters of inclined

transportation tunnel and emerge high in the Badlands. They step into a heavily timbered level mine entry and the mine blacksmith shop. Stories and underground adventure make this a high impact tour. Good footwear is essential!

Curriculum connections: Dynamic Communities, Communities in the Past, Coal, Simple Machines, Electrical technology, Mechanical Systems, Occupations, Alberta: History and People

School Tipple Tour

Explore the mine site with an entertaining guide. Climb the last wooden tipple in Canada and hear stories of young men who worked high above the ground sorting coal. Students will love the guided exploration and hands-on learning.

Curriculum connections: Dynamic Communities, Immigration, Communities in the Past, Coal, Simple Machines, Electrical technology, Mechanical Systems, Occupations: Alberta: History and People

School Train Ride

Ride the train of the past. See what a coal miner had to endure while working the coal mine long ago.

WHICH SIDE ARE YOU ON?

The Story of Unions and Strike Breakers

The cost of the field trip is \$100.00.

If paying by cheque, all cheques should be made out to Sacred Heart School. Students are required to bring a bagged lunch for June 13. Snacks are to be kept in their daypacks. As there is a gift shop on site, students may want to bring extra spending money for this. Usually \$20.00 spending money is enough.

All forms must be completed prior to the trip. Students will need this information to be completed before leaving Sacred Heart School. Please provide a contact number that can be used to reach you at anytime. The bus will be leaving at 8:20 in the morning on June 13 and will return to the school at approximately 6:30 p.m. on June 14. Students will be able to make phone calls on the trip should a need arise.

All students must return the permission form. This must be completed and signed by a parent/guardian. The permission forms must be handed in on or before **May 15, 2019** Phone calls to give permission will not be accepted. If you have any questions or concerns, before or during the fieldtrip please contact Mrs.Sieg through the school at 352-5533.

Yours co-operatively,

Mrs. P. Sieg

Grades Attending	<u>Grade 4</u>
Number of Attending Students	<u>50</u>
Number of Attending Teachers	<u>2</u>
Number of Non-Teaching School Staff	<u>3</u>
Number of Attending Volunteers	<u>10</u>

Lead Teacher and Contact Mrs. P. Sieg Cell: 780-257-7434

Attending Teachers, Supervisors and Volunteers

Mrs. Sieg, Mrs. Murdoch, other parent supervisors according to meeting requirements.

All volunteers are required to complete both the Criminal Record Check and the Child Welfare Information Services check (CWIS) as per requirement in Admin Procedure 490..

Communication Plan

The principal will be advised of any accidents, problems, unusual incidents or weather related concerns that may occur during the field trip. As well parents guardians will be contacted if health issues, injuries, or student conduct are a concern with their children.

Method of Transportation Bi-West Bus

Safety Precautions

Follow all school rules while off the school premises.

Equipment Required

Packing List:

OVERNIGHT BAG:

Twin/double sized foam/air mattress or cot
Sleeping bag
Pillow
Small flashlight
Small hand towel
Toothbrush and toothpaste
Toiletries
Earplugs (if noise at night is bothersome)

DAY PACK:

Towel and swimsuit
Spending money (only for gift shops)
Water/water bottle
Camera (not absolutely necessary)
Bug spray
Sunscreen
Sunglasses / HAT
Lunch for the first day (no lunches can be purchased this day)

RAIN GEAR

Place rubber boots (or shoes that can get muddy), raincoat in plastic garbage bag with your child's name clearly marked on it.

Clothing Required

Loose comfortable clothing (sleeping attire and outfit for the next day) Easy to slip on and off, comfortable footwear (if the weather is poor, a separate pair of indoor shoes. Proper walking shoes for June 14. Must have a closed toe and heel.

Other Information

Footwear must be worn at all times while in the Royal Tyrrell Museum. Slippers will work. Proper closed toe shoes for the Atlas Coal Mine Tour must be worn.

Risks - Inherent, special or unusual risks associated with the field trip

All manner of injuries resulting from slip/trip/fall

Exposures relating to road/sidewalk conditions, pot holes, trees, stairs, parking lots, ramps, elevators, escalators, water pools.

All manner of injuries associated with participation in planned activities during the field trip.

All manner of injuries resulting from use of equipment, materials or facilities.

Motor traffic exposures such as crossing streets and intersections, side walk bike traffic, skate boarders, high traffic times, speeding vehicles, blind spots, crosswalks, railway crossings, bus stops, LRT, construction zones, etc.

Slip/Fall exposures with stairs, ramps, dark areas, seating.

All manner of injuries and/or death which may result in the transportation to and from the facility.

Injury associated with swimming pools. Injury from slipping, tripping, striking head or other injuries.

Date Submitted for Approval Apr 17, 2019

Signatures

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Principal (Signature)

Verna Sand

Print Name

Apr. 17, 2019

Date

P. Sieg

Lead Teacher (Signature)

Pat Sieg

Print Name

April 17/2019

Date

Sacred Heart School
PARENTAL CONSENT

Parental Consent and Total Costs (if applicable) due by: **May 15,2019**

Student Name _____ **Grade** _____

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Location Drumheller Royal Tyrrell Museum & Atlas Coal Mine

Method of Transportation Bi-West Bus

Please Indicate your fieldtrip payment method:

SchoolCash Online \$ _____

Cheque # _____

Cash \$ _____

Additional Information / Explanation

MEDICAL CONDITION

The following is a list of my child's medical conditions (including allergies, conditions requiring medication, etc), a list of medication that my child must take and any special instructions regarding medication storage and administration.

I have reviewed and understand the information provided in this Parent Permission Letter, I consent to my child partaking in the field trip(s) as described in the Parent Permission Letter and I agree that this planned activity is acceptable. I also acknowledge and agree that during the planned field trip(s), (NAME OF STUDENT HERE) _____ is to act in accordance of the School Act, District policy and rules as to student conduct. St. Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic Separate Regional Division #38 does not provide accidental death, disability, dismemberment or medical expense insurance on behalf of the students participating in this activity.

I understand that St. Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic Separate Regional Division #38 assumes no financial liability to the students and/or their parents/guardians should the board cancel or interrupt an approved student trip / excursion for any reason whatsoever. I understand no parents/guardians shall be reimbursed for the loss of any field trip monies if the field trip/excursion is cancelled or interrupted. This includes any form of deposit. However, a parent shall be reimbursed field trip/excursion monies if the field trip is cancelled or interrupted and the school has not provided said monies at the time of cancellation to any third party travel-related agency which assisted in organizing the field trip/excursion, and the related contract between the district and the agency or the insurance provider permits a refund of field trip monies in the circumstances. I further understand that, in all instances, the board reserves, in full, the right to make any cancellation or interruptions it deems fit.

I understand and agree that where circumstances arise during the field trip, such as changes in itineraries or adverse weather or road conditions, the Lead Teacher, in consultation with the Principal, may make changes in itineraries and/or travel/arrival plans for my child. I understand that a reasonable effort will be made to advise me of such a change.

If my child requires medical attention, I authorize the supervisors to seek necessary medical treatment / intervention in the event of an emergency.

I understand and accept the above and provide the St. Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic Separate Regional Division #38 with the following waiver of liability and RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT. I hereby release the St. Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic Separate Regional Division #38 and its' staff and agents from any and all liability for any injury sustained regardless of how caused, resulting from participation in the aforementioned field trip/excursion.

My child will attend the event: _____

Alberta Health Care Card Number: _____

Emergency Parent Contact: _____

Emergency Parent Phone Number: _____

My child will NOT attend the event: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent signature is required regardless if the child is attending the event or not. This form is REQUIRED to be returned to school.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties please contact the principal in confidence.