

SOUTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNOUNCING - LIBERTY TRAIL 2012

Southern Lehigh's summer program in environmental education will again be offered this year. **This program is offered to all students currently in grades 2 through 6.** Liberty Trail 2012 is designed to reinforce and enrich concepts children have learned in their classrooms, particularly in science, social studies and language arts. On each of the fourteen days, children will board buses at school and travel into the field to explore the effects of man interacting with his environment. Previously visited sites include Adventure Aquarium, Ashland Coal Mine, Hugh Moore Parkway, Hopewell Furnace, Quiet Valley Farm, Jacobsburg State Park, Sandy Hook National Recreation Center, Hawk Mountain, Lancaster, Crystal Cave, Tannersville Bog, Lehigh Valley Zoo, PA Raptor Center, Little Lehigh Fish Hatchery, and a 2 night/3 day stay at the Pocono Environmental Education Center. Past activities have included digging for fossils, venturing into caves, hiking, making soap on a farm, stream studies, going into a cranberry bog, visiting museums, canoeing, orienteering, problem solving challenges, and learning about animals and environments. Historical, geographical, environmental and cultural themes are woven in to the program.

The fourteen day program will be offered from June 12 through June 29, 2012. It will operate from Lower Milford Elementary School. It is necessary to limit the number of participants to 60 children because of constraints imposed by the operators of the various sites which we visit. Those who have not previously participated in Liberty Trail will be given first priority to attend. **All reservation sheets are due in your child's school office by Friday, April 27, 2012.**

Packed lunches will generally be expected, and the responsibility for attendance and daily transportation to and from Lower Milford Elementary School rests with the parents. We are requesting that children attend daily in this program, as in the regular school program. Times will vary each day, but attempts have been made to make most days begin and end around the same time. It is essential that students have transportation home at the designated time. Although the major costs for this program are covered by the School District, tuition of \$375.00 per child will be required to help defray admissions, camp-out and other costs. Reservations for the planned events are made in advance, so refunds will not be made if a student withdraws from the program after it has begun.

There will be an orientation session for children and parents on Tuesday, May 15, 2012 at 7:00 PM at Lower Milford Elementary School. Final details will be sent to parents as soon as enrollments and staff are determined.

To enroll, please return the tear sheet to your child's school office, or mail it to:

Lower Milford Elementary School
7350 Elementary Rd.
Coopersburg, PA 18036

Checks should be made payable to Lower Milford, Liberty Trail.

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PLEASE RETURN NO LATER THAN April 27, 2012

___ I wish to have my child attend the Liberty Trail 2012 Program.

___ My child most recently participated in the Liberty Trail Program in _____ (year).

___ Number of years my child has attended Liberty Trail

Child's Name _____	Child's Teacher _____
Home School _____	Grade _____ Telephone # _____
Parent's Signature _____	Date signed _____
Address _____	

Check One:

___ My check for payment in full, made payable to Lower Milford, Liberty Trail, is attached.

___ I will forward a check for payment in full by April 27, 2012.