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Costa Rica Opportunity *April Vacation*

Student Application

Young Achievers has the opportunity to send about 15 to 20 7th grade students to a cabin in a wildlife preserve in the middle of a rain forest in Costa Rica during April Vacation (April 15-April 24). In order to be considered, Fill out this application and turn it in to Mr. Grymonpré by Monday, November 23.



The Costa Rica trip will include:

- Flying to San Jose, Costa Rica, then traveling by bus and boat to a cabin on the west coast of Costa Rica
- Staying in a cabin right on the ocean shore surrounded by wilderness
- Several wildlife experiences:
 - Tropical animals: monkeys, toucans, bats, dolphins, etc.
 - Kayaking through a mangrove forest
 - Hiking through a rain forest
 - Planting saplings (trees) with local students
 - Swimming in waterfalls
- Eating fresh food, including fish fresh from the ocean and coconut milk straight from coconuts
- Three teacher chaperones and several biologists on staff at cabin



O₂ for Life: Our buildings are in a clearing near the beach. From there, visitors can hike on trails and in shallow river beds deep into the reserve's pristine rain forest. At dawn and in late afternoon you will hear the roars of howler monkeys and the calls of toucans. After darkness the wondrous sounds of exotic frogs and insects fill the night.
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Requirements for Costa Rica Spring Break Trip:

- Good grades
 - All grades C or higher
- Good behavior
 - B average for Community Membership grades
 - No physical fights or refusal to follow teacher directions
- Meeting as a group often throughout the school year to prepare
 - Fundraising
 - Planning
 - Preview learning in Costa Rica
- Family contribution towards the cost of traveling (scholarships are available)

Name _____ Homeroom _____

Parent/Guardian Names _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes No

Do you have a U.S. Passport? Yes No

_____ has my permission to apply to attend the Costa Rica trip during April Vacation. If he/she is selected, I will attend the family information session to learn about the details of the trip before committing to the trip.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Answer the following questions on separate paper in paragraph form. Put lots of thought into your response and use lots of detail. Staple your answers to this form.

1. Why do you want to go with us to Costa Rica?
2. What would you gain from going with us to Costa Rica?
3. We can only pick 15 to 20 students. Why should we choose you rather than someone else?
4. What have you done this year at school to earn this trip?

Any Questions? Call Mr. Grymonpré at 508-208-3741.