

WILD

(Wisdom through Inquiry Learning and Doing)

Selection Criteria and Application

I am interested in having my son/daughter _____ be placed in the WILD class for the 2020-2021 school year. I have spoken to my child in detail about the program and we both have determined that this would be a great place for him/her to learn.

Participation in the program will be determined primarily, but not exclusively, on the following two criteria:

- ❖ *Demonstration of good character through the warrior traits*
- ❖ *School attendance*
- ❖ *Positive attitude and interest towards the environment and being outdoors*
- ❖ *Parent and Student interest from students in the Grade 7 English program classes.*
- ❖ *Grade 7 Teachers' recommendation.*
- ❖ *Final decision made by administration*

When parent, student and teacher recommendations match, we will endeavor to facilitate participation in the program. Please understand that a match of parent and student interest and teacher recommendation does not automatically guarantee participation. We have had waiting lists in the past due to high interest in this program

Please review the participation commitments below carefully with your child.

- ❖ *We understand that participation in off-campus activities requires excellent self-management skills. Disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated.*

Initials: Parent _____ Student _____

- ❖ *We understand that participation in off-campus activities will require complete compliance of all safety rules and regulations.*

Initials: Parent _____ Student _____

- ❖ *We understand that participation in off-campus activities requires proper outdoor clothing. For safety reasons, students must wear appropriate footwear and outerwear on all outdoor field studies.*

Initials: Parent _____ Student _____

- ❖ *We understand that field study trips may take place in less than ideal weather conditions. Some field study trips may be cancelled when travel is not safe.*

Initials: Parent _____ Student _____

- ❖ *We understand that participation in off-campus activities may require a self-directed approach on the part of the student.*

Initials: Parent _____ Student _____

❖ *We understand that there is a program fee of \$650.00.*

Initials: Parent _____ Student _____

❖ *We understand that my child's participation in the WILD program is not guaranteed.*

Initials: Parent _____ Student _____

❖ *We understand that due to the field studies, transportation to and from school may at times be outside of the regularly established bussing times (students are usually back in time for busses at the end of the day).*

Initials: Parent _____ Student _____

❖ *We understand that in order for the WILD program to be successful we must have parent volunteers for multi-day trips, as well as day trips.*

Initials: Parent _____ Student _____

❖ *We understand that phones or any electronic devices are not allowed on field trips or camps. Phones must be left at home or in the locker at school.*

Initials: Parent _____ Student _____

We have reviewed and understand the statements above. Failure to comply with the participation commitments may result in removal from the program.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

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The WILD program requires commitment, perseverance, team work and collaboration. Students in the WILD program should demonstrate a desire to learn in and about the environment, nature and the outdoors. Students should be prepared to go outside at any time during the school day and be prepared to go out on overnight camps. An equipment list will be provided. The WILD program has some equipment and gear to lend. Some of our adventures can be physically demanding and require a certain level of physical stamina. The cost for the WILD program is \$650.

In 250 words or less (less than one page), state why you would like to be in the WILD program. Please attach this to your commitment statement and scan and e-mail to npollard@rockyview.ab.ca or hand it in to the office prior to May 15, 2020

Sincerely,
Ms. Pollard and Ms. Magee