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Hello Field School Families,

My name is Sarah McCormack and I am excited for another year of Field School! I look forward to connecting with our young environmentalists and helping them to see the leader and community member in themselves. I am very excited to begin another 3rd and 4th grade year! This is my 9th year in the classroom- my 4th year within Northview. I feel very much at home with our Field School Family. I look forward to guiding our students in their explorations and learning of the outdoor world. The projects that we have planned will encourage our students to continue to learn, and grow in their Field School values of curiosity, growth, stewardship, community, leadership and adventure.

I grew up camping and at summer camp where I learned to backpack, canoe and love/advocate for the outdoors. When I am not at school, I like to spend time at my family cottage, go for walks with my son, read, quilt, and be on or near water! Sailing and canoeing are my favorites.

Attached to this letter you will find a list of supplies/gear that will help your student feel successful and prepared for our Field School day. We go out to explore and learn- rain or shine- we like to say there is no such thing as bad weather, only bad gear. Ensuring that your student has what they need to stay comfortable will only enhance their learning and enjoyment! If you need help finding any items on the list, or if you are unable to purchase any of these items we will make sure your student has what they need. Please feel free to contact me at smccormack@nvps.net with any questions or concerns you may have.

The chance to integrate our natural world into reading, writing and math is a dream come true! I am so excited for the coming adventures that we will go on together. I can't wait to meet you and your student (or to see them again!)

See you soon!
Sarah McCormack



3rd/4th Grade Field School Supply List

<p align="center">Individual Supplies- To be kept in desk or at hook *These items should be labeled with initials or name</p>	<p align="center">Community Supplies- To be distributed to students as needed</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reusable Lunch bag/box • Zippered- pencil pouch • Crazy Creek Camp Chair/ Stadium Seat • Baseball Cap or Sun Hat • Clipboard • 2 inch- 3 Ring Binder • Dividers pack of 5 • 1 disposable camera • 1 set of “camp dishes” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Small bowl (tupperware), fork & spoon ○ Mug ○ Labeling these items with a strip of matching duct tape works well! • Colored pencils-more than the traditional 12 colors (for sketching the real world) • 3 durable <u>plastic</u> folders- 3 colors • 2 <u>wide ruled</u> composition notebooks • Reusable Water Bottle • Rain jacket <u>and</u> rain pants • Rain Boots/ Boots for the stream (Waders OPTIONAL for West Oakview students) • Snow gear (snow pants, winter coat, heavy duty: waterproof mittens/ gloves, warm hat) • Winter Boots- to keep feet warm <u>and</u> dry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pack of 4 dry erase markers- black • Pack of 12 pencils • 3rd grade- Bug Spray & One box of tissues • 4th Grade- 1 box of bandaids & Clorox Wipes

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