

Dear 4<sup>th</sup> Grade TAG Parents,

We have been studying national parks as part of our current TAG unit: Camp Interdependence. As a culminating project, students are preparing for our National Park Fair by planning and creating their own national park and preparing to present information as park rangers. Our National Park Fair will be on **Tuesday, March 28, 2017**.

**Students are responsible for:**

- **Create Your Own National Park packet:** Fill in the information on the history, wildlife, plant life, weather, physical features, conservation efforts, recreational activities, historical markers and monuments, and facilities information. CYO NP packets also include a map and travel brochure of the park. Students will start their packets on Tuesday, March 7, 2017.
- **Mini Visitor Center Display:** Make a display about his/her park using a tri-fold (free standing) poster paper. Tri-folds can be purchased at any office supply store. Tri-folds may have pictures, maps from the park, and include information from the Create Your Own National Park packet. Students may find pictures electronically or draw and color their own. **Please make sure the name of the park is evident.** Students need to come prepared with their tri-fold on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 to work on in class.
- **Souvenirs:** Your child will need at least 30 souvenirs to hand out. They should be inexpensive like homemade bookmarks with the park's name on it, picture of an animal from the park, a nature item that could be found at the park, a sticker, a coloring page or activity puzzle, patches, or pennants...or anything else that you and your child can think of that **pertains to their park**. Our "tourists" will be younger TAG students.

The day of the fair, park rangers will need to wear a white or almost white shirt, tan/khaki shorts or pants, and a bandana. Students will also be making name tags to wear on their shirts. Optional uniform accessories could include a park ranger badge, ranger (Mountie) hat, or any accessories unique to their park.

Parents are invited to drop in to our National Park Fair any time between 12:30 and 1:30pm on Tuesday, March 28, 2017. Any questions, please email me!

Thanks for your support!

Jamie Husack