



## Parent Educational Leader Guide

### Canon City Trip

Parents...thank you so much for your willingness to help on this trip. Following are a few guidelines to help you make this a positive learning experience for the students. If in doubt, if faced with a discipline issue that goes beyond the scope of this letter, or if facing disrespect of the students, please let me know immediately.

#### Pre-Trip Getting Acquainted

- Introduce yourself; let kids tell you who they are.
- Reinforce expectations of trip...
  - Think before you act
  - You're representing Falcon HS
  - Cussing will result in a consequence the 1<sup>st</sup> time
  - PDA (public display of affection) will result in a consequence the 1<sup>st</sup> time. No hand-holding. No kissing. No sitting on laps (even two girls).
  - You (the Parent Educational Leader) are responsible for the students. They should come to you for advice/questions.
  - All the PELs can enforce discipline at anytime.
- If your child is in your group, please treat them exactly the same as everyone in your group. For example, kids are not allowed to leave the hotel to go to the store, so even though you might normally allow your child to go to the store by him/herself, in this case you would not. On the same subject, if your child is in another group and they ask you something that should involve their PEL leader, please send them to that person.

#### Attendance & Accountability

- Attendance will be taken at the start of each bus trip.
- When we are seated in a venue, students will sit near you (within a couple of rows).
- Students are accountable to you. If they need to go to the bathroom when we are at a venue and they are listening, they need to check with you first.
- Any doubts, please check with Mr. Divine.

#### Listening while at a venue

- IPODs, phones and other devices are put away and out of sight. If a student is observed using one of these items or having it out, it will be confiscated.
- Feet remain on the floor.
- Seating is upright.
- No talking while a performance is going on. If a student talks, he/she will be moved immediately.

#### Out and about and at the hotel

- I'm going to ask you to be pro-active in watching the kids during free time. We want them to have fun, but we don't want to annoy others. Teens have a tendency to be absorbed in their own little world and are often unaware they are disturbing others.
- When in a restaurant, ask them to keep their voices to their table.
- At the pool, we need to be aware when others are using the facilities, especially if there are little kids involved.
- At the hot tub, let's make sure we save at least one or two for other patrons (there are 5-6 at the hotel)