

TO: SWINGS 2008 Volunteers
FROM: Mrs. Hardisty

Thanks for choosing to do SWINGS this year. The students in grades 3 - 5 and I appreciate your loyalty. I am always disappointed by those who don't respond - but I will get over it. I also appreciate the help you provide when you plan in advance who your partner(s) will be and what you would like to do. However, as usual, some of you requested partners who did not respond. I have tried to put you with one or two others that I thought would work. Most of you got what you wanted for an assignment, especially if I got your email early. However, I am partial to those seniors who have been loyal in the past, so if you didn't get what you asked for, please be gracious and suck it up. There will not be a rain date for SWINGS, **SO PRAY FOR SUN!!!** We will NOT make a decision till about 7:30 am - call the school to find out: 429-6419 or my cell at 860-234-7041. **DO NOT ASSUME ANYTHING!** The high schools will know if SWINGS has been cancelled.

Your assignment is on the other side of this sheet. I want to remind you that you will not get a packet till you arrive. If you need it in advance, then come see me on Tuesday afternoon - that's the soonest it will be available.

Other details:

Transportation - Be here by 8:00, unless you are riding the bus. (Exception is recess group - be here by 9:30). The bus drivers have been notified of possible additions to their bus routes. Some activities need a lot of set-up, some need almost none. Parking will be very scarce so please car pool, get dropped off or take the bus.

Staging Area - Everything you need will be on the stage. Third grade stuff is to the left as you face the stage; 4th in the middle; 5th on the right. Be sure to take everything in your pile.

Food - I will have rolls and juice for you. The scheduled lunch is pasta with meat sauce (full lunch for \$2.00). There is a sandwich option, pizza, salad for \$1.75. Be sure to sign up by 9:00.

Free Time - Visiting is okay as long as it's by 8:40, during lunch (12:10 - 12:35, depending on the grade level for junior high teachers) or after 3:10. Also, there have been complaints from staff in the past about roughhousing with the younger kids. Please refrain, even if the kid is your sibling and you are accustomed to pounding on him or her.

Clothing - kindly refrain from using this day as an opportunity to develop skin cancer. Use some decorum, no cleavage, bra straps, thongs or cracks showing, please. You would not believe how the adults complain about that. Also remember sun screen, bug spray and a water bottle.

Feel free to call me (home 742-8791 - after 8 or cell 234-7041) or leave a voice mail for me at school on Tuesday, (429-6419 x 320) if you have to cancel. If I don't hear from you, I will trust that you are PREPARED, ENTHUSIASTIC and READY for SWINGS on June 4. Can't wait to see you!

WHEN YOU ARRIVE: (you know me and my checklists!)

- find your name on the sign in sheet AND SIGN IN (I have to fax this to EOS and Tech, so find the right sheet)
- sign up for lunch if you are buying from the kitchen
- make a name tag for yourself and wear it on your shirt
- IF YOU ARE A GROUP LEADER: find your packet; make name tags for you and the kids in your group
- IF YOU ARE AN ACTIVITY LEADER, find all your stuff on the stage and set it up - BE THOROUGH! (Be sure to make yourself a nametag).
- if you are a recess olympics leader, just be patient... I will meet with you after the activities have started
- take care of business before you go visiting in the building

