



School District No. 44 (North Vancouver)
COVE CLIFF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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**This is an
important notice.
Please have it translated.**

INFORMED CONSENT- KAYAKING – GRADES 4-6

April 16, 2018

Cove Cliff Elementary is sponsoring **optional** kayaking lessons, which have been arranged by Deep Cove Canoe and Kayaking Centre. These lessons will take place from May 15th to June 20th (see attached schedule). Teachers will walk with students to and from the kayaking centre. Lessons will be conducted in 90-minute blocks. Each student will receive four 90-minute lessons. Students taking part in the first block of the day must meet at the school by 8:00 am. Students taking part in the last block of the day will return to the school at 3:30 pm. All students must be accompanied by their teacher to and from the site. This experience will provide students training in kayaking enabling them to enjoy the many recreational opportunities that exist in this sport and in our neighbourhood.

Kayaking is considered to be a high-risk activity. Accidents causing injury or death may occur while participating in kayaking. Accidents can be the result of the nature of the activity and can occur without any fault on either part of the student, the school board, or its employees, or the kayaking centre. Kayaking activities involve the risk of serious injury or death due to human error, equipment failure, weather or other hazards. By allowing your son or daughter to participate in these sports you are accepting the potential risk that an accident can occur.

NATURE AND SCOPE OF RISKS (may include but not limited to)

- drowning
- risks caused by sea traffic hazards (kayaks, canoes, boats)
- illness due to movement (sea sickness)
- weather hazards
- accidents from walking to and from the kayak centre

Students will be briefed on the dangers involved in kayaking/canoeing and on appropriate precautions to be taken. Students are required to complete and sign the *Student Awareness of Risk and Responsibility* form in order to demonstrate full understanding of the expectations, risks, safety precautions and responsibilities associated with kayaking before being permitted to participate. All students must participate in lessons with the qualified instructors provided by the program. Students will be required to wear a life vest at all times while participating in kayaking on the water. Students must remain with their teacher/instructor for the duration of the lessons. Students must abide by the school Code of Conduct, the District Code of Student Conduct, and water safety training provided by the Deep Cove Canoe and Kayak Centre.

LEVEL OF SUPERVISION

Students will be under the direct supervision of Cove Cliff staff and/or kayaking instructors from the time they leave the school, during instruction, and until they return to the school. Students will be assisted through the equipment process by school staff, volunteers and kayaking staff. All students will be guided to their respective grade groups for the beginning of lessons. All students must remain with their instructor for the entire lesson. The instructors will carry a cell phone and there is a land phone available for emergencies, as well. Adult to student supervision ratios range from 1:6 to 1:8. A first aid kit will be kept by instructors and at the kayaking centre.

If at any point one of the supervisors deems student behavior or attitude to be unsafe they will lose their kayaking privilege immediately and return to school. Continuation in the program will be determined by the Principal.

The cost of this program is \$63.00 per student. Please submit payment by **Friday April 27, 2018. Note: This school kayaking program is optional.** Alternative arrangements will be made for students who do not participate.

In order to participate in kayaking complete forms must be submitted. If you have any questions please contact Ms. Kee at 604-903-3420 or kkee@sd44.bc.ca

Thank you,

Ms. Kee, Principal.

INFORMED CONSENT COVE CLIFF PADDLING ADVENTURES

Kayak Lessons (May 18th – June 20th, 2018)

I, _____ parent of _____ in Division _____ have read the
Parent or Guardian *Student Name*
Informed Consent document dated April 16, 2018 that pertains to my son/daughter's participation in this optional school activity. I am aware of and understand the inherent risks and potential consequences that may occur as a result of participating in this athletic activity (kayaking/canoeing). My signature here indicates that my child has my informed consent to participate in the kayaking/canoeing program.

I give _____ permission to participate in the optional kayaking/canoeing
Name of Student
lessons to be held from May 18th to June 20, 2018.

I have read the field trip description _____ *Parent Initial*

Our school is pleased to offer our parents the convenience to pay for this item directly online. Select <http://sd44.schoolcashionline.com/> to create or sign into your existing account.

- ___ I have paid \$63.00 Online. My online payment confirmation receipt # is _____
___ I have enclosed a cheque for \$63.00. Cheque payable to Cove Cliff Elementary.
___ I have enclosed cash for \$63.00

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

NORTH VANCOUVER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Kayak Program

STUDENT AWARENESS OF RISK AND RESPONSIBILITY FORM

Cove Cliff Elementary has arranged a kayaking and canoeing program at Deep Cove Canoe and Kayak Centre for students from grade three/four to seven. The dates of the program are May 15th to June 2nd 2017. We will leave the school at 8:00 and return to the school by approximately 3:30. Each student will have a lesson on our appointed days and will be walked to and from the Deep Cove Canoe and Kayak Centre.

I _____, understand that activities of this type may expose me to elements of risk. I have been told of the possible risks involved and the precautions that are to be taken by my teacher.

- I expect my behaviour to match expectations for behaviour at school and to follow the school code of conduct.
- I take full responsibility for my actions. I will remain with the group to whom I am assigned for the duration of the program.
- I will stick to activities that match my skills and abilities in regards to kayaking and canoeing.
- I will remain in the designated areas only and will not go out of bounds.
- I am aware of the possible risks associated with this activity such as incurring an injury or even death.
- If at any time I feel my safety is at risk, I reserve the right to be excused and will return to shore (with assistance from an instructor).
- I will wear my life vest throughout the kayaking/canoeing sessions and abide by the rules of water safety as outlined by the instructors.
- I have been provided with and have reviewed a field trip description of this supplemental field trip.
- I am responsible for my behavior and attitude.
- I will not put the safety of myself or others in jeopardy.
- I will follow the instruction of my supervisors at all times.

I have been made aware of the possible risks and consequences (i.e. injury or death) related to this supplemental field trip and freely agree to participate in the field trip and to act in a safe and responsible manner according to School District Policy 302: *Student Conduct* and Cove Cliff Elementary School Code of Conduct.

Printed Name of Student

Signature of Student

Date