

Dear Mayor Christenson and Members of the School Committee,

We seek approval for each of our K-8 schools to take an 8th-grade field trip to Canobie Lake Park in Salem, New Hampshire. The trip serves as a celebration of the end of 8th grade and the exciting transition to high school. Below is a table that breaks down when each school is requesting this field trip for and how many students they are estimating to attend.

For each school we have confirmed that there are sufficient staff and family chaperones for the number of students attending. All chaperones will have appropriate screening (CORI/fingerprinting). Schools have been in communication with families and the Office of Student Services to ensure student medical needs and nurse coverage are appropriately met. We are also working to ensure that any students in need of special education transportation who will be attending the field trip and returning to school after the usual school dismissal time will have those transportation needs met.

Students are asked to pay approximately \$30 for the trip (this varies slightly by school), covering transportation and park entrance; schools utilize a combination of fundraising and PTO support to ensure students who need financial support are able to attend. Schools provide bag lunches, although students may bring money for food at the park.

On the behalf of all our K-8 Principals and our 8th-grade students, we thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,
Komal Bhasin
Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning

School	Date of Field Trip	Approximate number of students
Beebe	6/18/2025 Depart from school: 8:30 AM; Arrive back to school: 3:30 PM	90
Ferryway	6/12/2025 Depart from school: 8:30 AM; Arrive back to school: 3:30 PM	95
Forestdale	6/10/2025 Depart from school: 8:30 AM; Arrive back to school: 3:30 PM	57
Linden	6/17/2025 Depart from school: 8:30 AM; Arrive back to school: 3:30 PM	79
Salemwood	6/18/2025 Depart from school: 8:30 AM; Arrive back to school: 3:30 PM	100