

Dear Parents and/or Guardians -

This fall, Fayetteville-Perry Middle School will be participating in Project TRUST at Camp Kern, in Oregonia, Ohio. Middle school students participate in three-day retreats, learning **Trust, Respect, Understanding, and Student Teamwork**, as they focus on bullying prevention and building a better school!

In addition to middle school students, high-school counselors also make up an important part of each Project TRUST “family.” HS counselors model good behavior for younger students, lead team-building activities and facilitate boundary breaking discussions while improving their own leadership skills and becoming empowered to positively impact their school, creating a kinder, more compassionate and inclusive school culture.

Typically, we take juniors and seniors as counselors to maintain a sufficient age gap between HS counselors and MS campers; however, we do take a limited number of sophomores as “counselors-in-training.” **I would like to formally invite your student to be a counselor at our next Project Trust camp, October 25-27, 2023.** Students will leave by 4:15 on Wednesday, October 25 and return by 2:15 pm on Friday, October 27. **The cost of the camp (\$60) is paid by the school, but we do need a commitment from the student to attend as the absence of high-school counselors makes it difficult to effectively run the camp.** Students will be excused from two days of school, and we will work with coaches to be sure they’re not penalized for absences from practice if needed.

Please return all paperwork no later than Wednesday, October 18, 2023.

This includes the: 1) Project Trust Photo Release Form 2) Camp Kern Waiver and 3) Medication forms (*if applicable*) Also, please look at the suggested packing list. As we know, the weather can sometimes be unpredictable, so check the weather and plan accordingly.

Jennifer Spaeth-Mullis
Director of Curriculum and Instruction
CIP/Professional Learning Coordinator
Project Trust Coordinator
jennifer.mullis@fpls.us
513-875-5092