

# Durham Children's Watershed Festival (DCWF)

## Adult Volunteer Info Sheet

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW – PLEASE READ

Festival Hours 9:45am - 1:30pm



- THERE IS NO EXTRA PARKING** *You are to arrive on the bus.* If unavoidable contact your teacher to make arrangements (3 days notice) so that you are not charged the mandatory **\$10 parking penalty**.
- Volunteers (secondary students, industry professionals and community members) host the learning centres. Join us in supporting and recognizing this awesome display of community spirit.
- The festival runs rain or shine. Come prepared for the possibility of wet and cold weather. Wear comfortable footwear.
- Do not bring siblings, daycare children or pets to the festival. The festival is busy and has many distractions. Students require your full attention.
- Upon arrival **wait on the bus**. Your bus will be greeted by a Festival Greeter who will provide instructions for the day. **Name tags** are mandatory and will be provided by your teacher.
- The teacher will provide the *Durham Children's Watershed Festival Event Map* and possibly a list of preferred activities to meet the class learning outcomes.
- Stay in designated festival areas. You **MUST** stay out of the creek, lakebed and forested areas. Stay on the main trails and respect the rented Scouts Canada property. Poison ivy is prevalent, and ticks may be present in long grass.
- Ensure that students always stay together in your group. If one goes to the washroom, you all go.
- Backpacks will be carried by the students throughout the day.
- There are no facilities to purchase or access food or drinks. Bring peanut-free food and drinks. This is a **Litterless Festival** with a boomerang lunch. Everything that you bring must go back home with you.
- Food Breaks:** there is no designated lunch time. Groups are free to stop and have food breaks whenever necessary. Should groups need a break from inclement weather, there will be a scheduled time provided by your teacher to use the lunch tent in Aki (Land) Area. The tent accommodates 200 people, so it is important that you use the time allotted for you.
- At the end of the day your school meets at one location ("end of day" meeting place). One adult from the school will find the bus and direct rest of the school for boarding.
- A horn will sound at **1:20pm** to indicate the end of the day. **Finish the activity** and go to your school's end of day meeting place.
- First Aid Station** and **Lost & Found** are in Giizhig (Sky) Area at Council Hall.
- The Durham Children's Watershed Festival Organizers are identified by red aprons. If you have any safety concerns, please speak to an Organizer.
- If a student becomes separated from your group, please advise a Festival Organizer or the *First Aid Station* in Giizhig (Sky) Area at Council Hall.
- In the event of an emergency (eg. sudden severe weather) red flags will be posted at Council Hall and each Area. Listen to the Festival Organizer at that location for instructions.

THANK YOU & HAVE A GREAT DAY!

