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Dear 9th Grade Parents,

Your children are amazing and we are thrilled to work with them this year. Their role as leaders at our school is very important to our success. We are already experiencing growth and leadership from your children in just these few short weeks.

One of the culminating experiences at our school for the 9th graders is our end of year field trip. This letter is a formal invitation from the Junior High teaching staff to encourage your support of this trip for your child. These "going out" experiences are life-changing opportunities and are a very important part of the Montessori curriculum. Our staff and parent volunteers work diligently to prepare a wonderful trip for your child and we are thrilled to share this opportunity with them. This year our trip will be May 5th – May 11th, 2019 and we will be at the Crow Canyon Archeological Center in Cortez, Colorado.

We will be providing opportunities for the 9th graders to fundraise the majority of their fees for this trip. One of the most powerful experiences for the students in previous years was the sense of accomplishment from raising their own funds. We are asking that each family contribute \$525.00 towards their child's trip. We encourage you to have your child earn these funds so he/she feels a sense of achievement and gratitude. We would like to receive this payment by January 31, 2019.

We will also have slots for 2 male chaperones. On average, we will have a total of 4 teachers and chaperones for this trip. In order to be fair to all our parents who would like to attend, we will be holding personal interviews for these positions. Each parent that would like to be considered for a chaperone position will need to provide Ms. Leigh an **email formally stating your intent by October 13, 2018**. All chaperones will be required to pay for their trip in full by **January 31, 2018**. The cost of the chaperone's trip is \$525.00. This is a non-refundable fee.

Please fill out the attached contract to indicate that your child will be attending this trip. Return the contract to Ms Leigh and pay a \$50.00 deposit to the main office by October 31, 2018.

I am thrilled that we will be able to offer this opportunity to your child. Thank you for your support and willingness to share your child with us for this important year of their school career.

Sincerely,

Ms. Leigh lowen@mariamontessoryacademy.org