



Horizon Whitewater Rafting Trip

- Who:** Horizon 9th grade class
- What:** A fun-filled 2 days of hiking, picnicking, climbing and rafting* on the Nantahala River.
- When:** From 7:00 am (departure) Monday, August 9 to 9:00 pm (return) Tuesday, August 10.
- Where:** Nantahala Outdoor Center (near Bryson City, NC)
- Why:** To get to know one another and to build teamwork and class spirit.

Other important information:

Cost: \$200.00. This includes **transportation** to the NOC on a commercial bus line, and all fees associated with the **rafting trip** (transportation to the put-in, gear, life jacket and raft provided), the **Alpine Tower Challenge** and an **Appalachian Trail** hike. In addition, the fee covers **lodging and three meals** ((Dinner 8/9, Breakfast + Lunch 8/10). You will need to **bring a bag lunch and money** for supper on the way home. Please send a \$100.00 deposit by May 28, 2010. Final payment will be due June 30, 2010. Checks should be made out to **Richland Northeast High** (*not* the Horizon Program). Please include your name, student's name, home address, and home telephone number on check. You may bring your deposit to the main office at Richland Northeast or mail it to the following address:

Richland Northeast High School
Attn: Joe Eberlin
7500 Brookfield Rd.
Columbia, SC 29223

Along with your check, please send by June 30:

- Your health form and the two signed permission forms (please note, one must be notarized).
- The NOC waiver and medical information form.

What to Bring:

- *Life of Pi* and *A Walk in the Woods*
- Sleeping bag or sheets and pillow (your preference).

- At least two changes of clothes and a towel are an absolute must. You will get wet! Also, bring all personal items required.
- For the rafting, you must wear either lace-up shoes or sandals with an ankle and heel strap (no flip-flops). For the Alpine Tower Challenge and hike you must be wearing a lace-up pair of shoes with a toe (no sandals of any type). You may wear other shoes up and back.
- It is a long drive, so bring reading and listening material. Only iPods or MP3 players with head-phones will be allowed.

Contact Info: Call Joe Eberlin at 699-2800 ext 79853 or email jeberlin@richland2.org or call Ginger Belka at 699-2800 ext 79612 or 803-556-6295 (M) or email at gbelka@richland2.org .

*If you are hesitant about the rafting adventure, please let us know. There will be experienced river guides with us, and they will give us lots of safety tips before starting down the river. The Nantahala River is considered a good introduction to whitewater rafting. It has enough Class II-III+ rapids to be exciting, but is gentle enough for the beginner. Lifejackets are required of *all* participants at *all* times. If you would rather participate in an alternative activity, this can be arranged, but only if we know in advance. We want everyone to have a safe trip.