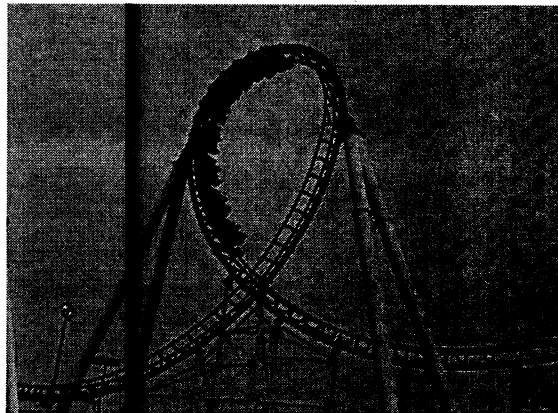


Student Permission Form for Six Flags Great America Physics Day Field Trip

On **Thursday, April 28th, 2016** our Physics classes will have the marvelous opportunity of taking a field trip to Six Flags Great America in Gurnee, IL where the park is transformed into a multi-million dollar “hands-on” student scientific laboratory!

The purpose of this trip is to explore the mechanics of amusement park physics; several experiments and activities will accompany this educational experience in appreciating the principles and know-how that goes into each ride—including engineering efficient energy transformations, effects of g-forces and centripetal accelerations on the human body, momentum transfers and conservations, and taking quantitative data in the field. The field trip is an optional enrichment activity, students must meet eligibility requirements¹, and an alternative assignment will be available if students are unable to participate.



The cost of this year’s trip includes the discounted ticket fees, transportation, and any materials for a total cost of **\$37.00**. Please make a **CHECK** (no cash!) payable to “Hinsdale Central High School” with the following written in the **MEMO** section: 1. **Student’s NAME** 2. **Teacher’s name** and 3. the field trip account code “**M.E.**” (sorry, no cash accepted per Bookstore regulations). The cost of the field trip does not cover lunch—students should bring extra money based on their respective appetites (though it is not recommended to increase their mass before getting on a ride)! ☺

Due to park deadlines, payment and permission slips must be turned in to physics teachers by **March 16th, 2016**. **Sorry, NO late submissions can be accepted.** Also, due to the park ticket sales regulations, tickets *can not* be refunded.

Buses leave Hinsdale Central at 8:00 am on the day of the trip and return at approximately 3:00 pm. depending on traffic conditions. *All students MUST take the provided buses* for transportation—if you miss the bus you must report to your regularly scheduled classes. Each student **must stay on their assigned bus**—absolutely no bus changes will be allowed for safety and attendance reasons.

A Hinsdale Central chaperone or physics teacher will be available for help or emergencies throughout the day at regular intervals by contacting the Hometown Square First Aid station (by the Demon / entrance to Southwest Territory).



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¹ Eligibility is based on grades, attendance, and behavior by each teacher’s discretion.

Scary Legal Stuff (PARENTS please read!)

1. Since this is a school-sponsored event, *all* school rules apply and any violations are subject to discipline by the Dean's Office.
2. Students **MUST** take the bus for the field trip for safety and liability issues. Any Hinsdale Central student seen at the park who did not take the bus for the field trip will face disciplinary action by the Dean's Office.
3. *Any* violation of park regulations or misbehavior will not be tolerated and students who do so will lose their privilege to attend this trip and may be expelled immediately from the park. Parents / legal guardians will be notified by the provided emergency contact information as soon as possible and will be responsible for providing transportation back home for expelled students violating park regulations outside the Main Entrance.
4. Students must check-in *at least 15 minutes before (1:30 p.m.)* their designated bus departs because each contracted bus must depart *promptly* in order for everyone to arrive on time at school for either extra curricular sports, activities, or work obligations—**if you miss your bus you will be left behind**—*report to the Six Flags Main Office at the Main Entrance. If a student is misses the bus a parent / legal guardian will be notified and must provide transportation for the student back to school.*

Any student who does not abide by any of the above will have their semester grade lowered by 10%, face disciplinary action by the Deans Office and, depending upon the severity of the infraction, whatever other consequences deemed necessary by the parents / legal guardians.

I have read and agreed to the regulations and guidelines for the Physics Great America Field trip, and understand that if I have any questions or concerns I can contact my student's physics teacher regarding these issues.

Please keep this information page for the day of the field trip, and sign / detach the included Permission Form. Here's to a great day of Amusement Park Physics! ☺

Park Emergency Contact Information:

Six Flags Great America
542 N Route 21
Gurnee, IL 60031

Phone: 847.249.2133

Website: <http://www.sixflags.com/parks/greatamerica/> (including park policies, directions, etc.)

Please detach and keep top information sheet.

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Legal Disclaimer:

The school limits its responsibility for the safety and welfare of the students by providing reasonable supervision by representatives of the school designated to supervise the activity. Your signature on this form constitutes, and is evidence of your agreement to:

- accept general liability for the participation for your child in the project;
- keep all of your insurance now in effect, insuring your son and daughter; and
- limit and restrict any claim against Hinsdale Township High School District #86, any of its teachers or representatives, arising out of any act or omission regarding your son or daughter's participation in the activity and transportation thereto as described below to the district's available insurance policies.
- provide transportation back home for my student in the event of being expelled from the park for violation of park policies and accept school disciplinary actions.

(Print Student Name) _____, has my permission, to attend the Physics Great America Field Trip from 8:00 am. to approximately 3:00 pm. I can be reached at the following emergency phone numbers:

Work / Cell Phone:	Home Phone:
Emergency Contact:	Emergency Contact Phone:

I have read and agreed to the regulations and guidelines for the Physics Great America Field trip, and understand that if I have any questions or concerns I can contact my student's physics teacher regarding these issues.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parents: I would be interested in chaperoning the trip. Yes / No (Circle one please).