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To: Oak Park School District 97 School Board

From: Whittier School Principal Keshia Warner Whittier Teacher / OOTM Coach Stephanie Small

Re: Overnight Field Trip-Odyssey of the Mind World Final Competition at Iowa State University Ames, Iowa (515) 294-4111

Date: Departure from Whittier School May 25, 2016 Returning to Oak Park May 29, 2015

Purpose: Whittier School Odyssey of the Mind Club students (see list of students below) will be participating in the World Finals competition in Ames, Iowa. Odyssey of the Mind is a team, creative, problem-solving club that promotes communication, innovative thinking and skill building.

Overnight Lodging: The Whittier students will be lodging in dormitories on the Iowa State University campus. Students in the dorms will be accompanied by two parent chaperones: Sharon Newton and Jenna Mahay, the mothers of Esmee Newton and Maria Leon, respectively. I will be staying at the Days Inn in Ames, Iowa (515-232-0280).

Transportation: Each student will be escorted by a parent to and from the event. Students and their families arrive the night before the competition (May 25) for the opening ceremonies and competition takes place on May 26th, 2016 through May 28th, 2016.

Participants: The 4th and 5th grade students who are participating are listed below.

Problem # 3 – Aesop Gone Viral

Esmee Newton, Maria Leon, Julia Dingman, Addy Smith, and Clara Ottati

Many thanks to our PTO (who is helping to offset costs).

Sincerely,

Stephanie Small GTD Resource Teacher