



# The Computer School

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Now that school has finally started, it is time to announce our annual sixth grade camping trip! This trip will take us to **Frost Valley YMCA** camp located in the heart of the Catskill Mountain Preserve in Claryville, NY (80 miles north of NYC). Frost Valley is a modern facility in the midst of a vast nature preserve, complete with heated lodges, modern bathrooms, and a full-service dining hall. It is perfectly situated for this overnight educational retreat.

The trip is organized and supervised by Computer School staff. Teams of CS Staff and Frost Valley naturalists will lead hands-on educational activities designed to take full advantage of the natural environment. Activities will include team-building, pond ecology, orienteering, and a birds of prey show.

We will leave for Frost Valley on **Thursday, October 13th at 9:00 am (promptly) and will return on Friday, October 14th at about 3:00 PM**, depending on traffic. Students and staff will travel to and from Frost Valley via coach buses.

Thanks to the support of the PA and the success of fundraising efforts, the cost of this trip to families is **\$130** per student, all-inclusive. It is a standard policy at the Computer School that no student be excluded on the basis of financial need. Families who are in need of financial assistance for the trip should contact **Sara Sloves** ([ssloves@thecomputerschool.org](mailto:ssloves@thecomputerschool.org)).

**Please sign and return** to your child's homeroom **two permission slips**: The *Frost Valley Student Health Information* form and NYC Dept. of Ed.'s *Parent Notification/Consent Form*. A packing list is included on the back of this letter.

We look forward to another rewarding retreat experience with our sixth graders. If you have any questions regarding the trip, please contact **Ms. Shalom** ([jshalom@thecomputerschool.org](mailto:jshalom@thecomputerschool.org)).