Grand Canyon Chaperone Information Sheet

Chaperone Name:

Student Names in your group:

Dear Chaperone:

Thank you for agreeing to be a chaperone for your school’s Ranger-Led Field Trip at Grand Canyon National Park! You play an important role in the success of this educational field trip. We have many hands-on activities that tie into school curriculum, and we’re excited to share them with your group during our short time together in the park.

To keep students safe, and to have a fun educational experience, we need your help. Please:

- **Know the names** of the students in your small group.
- **Enforce the safety rules** discussed by the ranger at the beginning of the program.
- **Help guide the learning process** among the students in your chaperone group.
- **Help the students maintain their focus**
- **Encourage students to listen** respectfully to others and to participate.

**Lead by example:** No smoking is allowed. Cell phone calls and texts may only be placed in emergencies; otherwise phones should be turned off. For safety and efficiency, photos may only be taken during times designated by the ranger.

**Student Behavior Guidelines:**

- **Respect wildlife.** It is disrespectful and illegal to harass the animals in any manner, including feeding them, throwing objects at them, making loud noises, and approaching them. Remember that we are visitors in their home.
- **Respect plants.** Do not pick flowers or break leaves off plants. Stay on the trail so that plants do not get trampled.
- **Respect other visitors** and people with ancestral ties to Grand Canyon. Just as in the classroom, yelling, running, throwing objects, or derogatory remarks are unacceptable.
- **Respect each other.** When a ranger, teacher, chaperone, or student is talking, please listen quietly. Keep your hands to yourself.
- **Respect the park.** Everything in the park, including rocks, plants, fossils, animals, and artifacts, is protected by law and must remain where it is found.
- **Respect yourself**—keep yourself safe by staying a body length away from the rim at all times.