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 make sure you arrive knowing names of the students in your small group. The rangers will need you to enforce the rules to keep the group safe and the lesson effective. Guide the learning process: Follow the lesson, be ready to help the group maintain their focus, and 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 illegal to harass animals, including throwing objects, making loud noises or feeding them. Remember, we are visitors in their home.
- **Respect plants.** Do not pick flowers or any part of a plant. Stay on the trail to help them grow.
- **Respect other visitors** and people with ancestral ties to Grand Canyon. Just as in the classroom, yelling, running, throwing objects and derogatory remarks are unacceptable.
- **Respect each other.** When a ranger, teacher chaperone or student is talking, please listen respectfully.
- **Respect the park.** Everything you find in park is protected by law and must remain where you found it.
- **Respect yourself.** Keep yourself safe by staying a body length away from the rim at all times.