



## United States Department of the Interior

National Park Service  
Vicksburg National Military Park  
3201 Clay Street  
Vicksburg, Mississippi 39183



Dear Parents,

Beginning in April, Vicksburg National Military Park will begin to commemorate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Siege of Vicksburg with four months of activities for all ages. One of the activities is designed especially for your 4<sup>th</sup> grade child! The park decided to offer an overnight Civil War experience to fifty 4<sup>th</sup> grade students in May, since the surrender of the city is on July 4<sup>th</sup>, we wanted to pick a date before it became too hot or interfered with any summer vacations. The overnight event is sponsored by Vicksburg National Military Park. Vicksburg-Warren County School District, Porters Chapel Academy, or Vicksburg Catholic School are not sponsoring the overnight event.

A number of activities are planned for your child beginning on Saturday, May 4 at 8:00 a.m. and ending at noon on Sunday, May 5, 2013. Students will be introduced to various aspects of Civil War camp life including, infantry drills, making ammunition, cooking, music, and games.

Students interested in participating should write a brief statement of 100 or more words stating why they would like to participate in the Civil War Camp. Selection will be made by Vicksburg National Military Park staff. Selected students and parents will be required to attend a pre-camp meeting in April.

Please complete the form attached, include your brief statement and turn into your classroom teacher to turn into your principal by Friday, April 15, 2013. If you have any questions regarding the Civil War Camp contact Chief of Operations, Rick Martin at 601-619-2905 or park staff at 601-636-0583.

Thank you,

Rick Martin  
Chief of Operations  
Vicksburg National Military Park





IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's School: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Room Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to allow my child to participate in the overnight Civil War Camp at Vicksburg National Military Park on May 4-5, 2013, sponsored by Vicksburg National Military Park.

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Please use either the space below or attach your statement to this sheet to write a brief statement of 100 words or more about why you would like to participate in the Civil War Camp at Vicksburg National Military Park. Once completed please turn both in to your teacher. Again, if you have any questions please contact Rick Martin at 601-619-2905 or the park at 601-636-0583 for further assistance.