

Dear Upper EI Families—

We are excited that this year we will be able to return to Nature's Classroom Institute (NCI) in person! It has become a CCMS tradition that was sadly missed due to circumstances for the last two years. It is a huge treat that the students look forward to every year and now we are thrilled to resume that tradition.

NCI is an outdoor Montessori program that takes place in New Ulm, Texas. It is a 3 day overnight trip where the student will get to be involved in Montessori activities in an outdoor nature setting with well trained outdoor Montessori guides. The field experience is always a highlight of the school year, and the students gain so much from the experience.

Upper EI will attend NCI on **January 18–20, 2023**.

NCI is all inclusive. We will stay in cabins with bunk beds and CC-Montessori staff members and approved parent volunteers. All meals will be provided to the students. The school will arrange transportation.

The cost for NCI is \$415. This includes the 3 day/2 night accommodations, meals, and transportation. The students will not need any spending money for the trip.

To help with the cost, families may opt to use a payment plan as outlined below:

**\$100 deposit due by October 20**

**\$100 payment due by November 17**

**\$100 payment due by December 15**

**Balance due by January 16**

\*\*Balance amount will be determined by the success of our fundraiser; calculated by our finance officer, Ms. Karen.

If your family is not able to pay the full amount due, please reach out to Ms. Cerise. There may be some scholarship funds available to assist with the cost.

Our goal is to have every student in our community attend NCI with us. Please reach out with any questions or comments you may have about the trip.

\*\*Please return the commitment form attached to this letter with the deposit by October 20, 2022.

NCI Commitment Form

\*\*Please return by Thursday, October 20, 2022

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Attendance:

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, my child will attend NCI.

\_\_\_\_\_ No, my child will not attend NCI (please let us know why)

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Payment:

\_\_\_\_\_ We will pay the full amount with the commitment form.

\_\_\_\_\_ We would like to set up a payment plan. We have enclosed the \$100 deposit.

\_\_\_\_\_ We would like to get more information about scholarships. We have enclosed the \$100 deposit.

If you have any questions please reach out to Ms. Lori at [lori@cc-montessori.org](mailto:lori@cc-montessori.org) or Ms. Maddie at Maddie @cc-montessori.org or by calling the school and leaving a message.