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# SHAVANO CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Dear Festival Presenter,

As I am sure you are all aware, the Montrose School District is closed until April 17 due to the Covid-19 virus, and some school districts around the state have said they will not be resuming classes until fall. We are going to tentatively continue to plan for the 2020 4th Grade Natural Resource Festival on May 12, 2020, knowing that we may be required to cancel due to school closures or if the CDC extends their recommendations for social distancing into the months to come.

The 2020 Festival will take place at Baldrige/Riverbottom Park in Montrose on Tuesday, May 12, 2020, from 8:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (If we have bad weather on the 12th, then we will reschedule for Thursday, May 14th.) Fourth Grade classes, public and private, from Montrose, Olathe, Ridgway, Ouray, and Norwood, have been invited to participate in this exciting and memorable event.

Each station will give 13 presentations, each approximately 20 minutes in length. Please make sure you have enough materials and activities to keep the students busy for the entire period. Not all classes will visit every station. There will be 30 minutes allowed for lunch, which will be provided by the Shavano Conservation District.

Please take a minute to send me an email or give me a call by April 17, 2020 to let me know if you are planning to host a station activity at this year's Festival. I am attaching a blank registration form for the Festival and it can also be found on the SCD Website at [www.shavanocd.net](http://www.shavanocd.net). However, if you participated in previous Festivals then I have your activity information on file so all you need to do is email me with any updated info regarding site needs, volunteer names, or contact information.

The activity that you select for the students must meet the following requirements:

- (1) The lesson must be related to a natural resource and conservation in some way or another.
- (2) The content must be appropriate for the fourth grade level. To help you as you prepare, I am including a copy of the 4th grade curriculum standards.
- (3) The presentation must be hands-on and engaging! The students must be able to get involved physically while being challenged mentally.

If you are not able to participate in the Festival this year, please contact me as soon as possible so I can fill your station with another activity.

On behalf of the Shavano Conservation District, I look forward to your attendance in another educational, entertaining, and successful event. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions please call or email me.

Sincerely,

Mendy Stewart

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