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# SHAVANO CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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102 Par Place Ste#4, Montrose, CO 81401 Office (970) 249-8407

Dear Fourth Grade Teacher,

The Shavano Conservation District is pleased to invite you and your class to the 31st Annual 4th Grade Natural Resource Festival! The Festival will take place at Riverbottom/Baldrige Park on Tuesday, May 9 and Raindate Thursday, May 11th from 8:45am to 2:30pm. Public, private, and homeschool fourth grade classes from Montrose, Olathe, Ridgway, Ouray, and Norwood are invited to participate in this event. The Festival will be one, full day for every class.

Classes of 20 or more students will be asked to break into 2 groups (approximately 10-15 students in each group) to reduce groups sizes at station activities. Schools will need to bring adequate adult supervision for each group of students. We will get a more specific rotation map/schedule to you the week before the Festival.

We will schedule pre-festival classroom presentations May 1st - 5th. The presentations are 45 min. long and include a brief explanation to students on what to expect at the Festival and a short natural resource activity. In order to fit presentations in for all classes and schools, we may need to double-up some classes for in-person presentations or do a virtual presentation. I will drop off teacher information packets and student activity packets the week before the Festival. Included in the teacher information packets will be a festival program and evaluation form, station map, and rotation schedule for each teacher/class.

Please take a moment to fill out the "School Registration Form" found at:

<https://forms.office.com/g/yVd5vL1RcT>

no later than Friday March 24, 2023. If you prefer to download a pdf of the registration form, it can be found on the District website at: <https://www.shavanocd.org/programs.html> The pdf form can be returned to me by email at [mendy.stewart@co.nacdnet.net](mailto:mendy.stewart@co.nacdnet.net) or mailed to 102 Par Place, Ste. 4, Montrose, CO 81401.

If you have questions, comments, or suggestions, please call or email me. On behalf of the Shavano Conservation District and all of the Festival volunteers, we look forward to seeing you at the Natural Resource Festival!

Sincerely,

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