

# PERMISSION SLIP

## *Boy Scouts of America Troop 114 -Valatie, NY*

I give my child \_\_\_\_\_  
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Permission to participate in a day hike on the Escarpment Trail around Windham High Peak on SUNDAY August 13th, 2017.

In the event of an emergency, I give permission to emergency medical personnel to take necessary steps to protect his health and safety.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone \_\_\_\_\_

A Parent will be attending with the Scout

Can drive / pick up if necessary

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Please return the top of this form to Billy at or before the Troop meeting on August 8<sup>th</sup>.

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Detach and retain this portion for your information  
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### **Windham Area Day Hike**

#### **Trip information:**

We'll meet at the church at 8:00am on the morning of the 13th to catch a ride to the trailhead on Route 23. We will park in the parking area, and cross the road to start at the beginning (or end) of the Escarpment Trail. Many of you have been on this trail before, but I don't think many (if any) have been on this end of the trail - the other end is near North/South Lake, when we have hiked quite frequently.

As we hike this section of the Escarpment Trail, we will begin with an approximately 3.5 mile section, passing the Elm Ridge lean-to and eventually bringing us to the top of Windham High Peak (3524 Feet). We then continue to follow the Escarpment for about 2.3 miles to a point called Burnt Knob.

We then have two options - to drop down via side trails directly to Maple Crest Road (1.4 mi, making a total of 7.2) or continue via the Escarpment to Acra Point, then drop to the same Maple Crest Road (but a totally different point on the road) to make a total hike of 10-11 miles.

We will have to decide that morning, unless we have enough parents willing to drive to allow us to drop cars at both end points and leave the option open to split later on.

Food: Eat a hearty breakfast before you arrive at the Church. Bring your own non-cook lunch, snacks and drinks. Bring \$\$ for the way home - we may stop for ice cream or even a quick dinner depending on what folks want to do.

Return Time TBD, depending on how long the hike takes, which option we choose, delays on the bridge, unexpected snowstorms, rogue groups of bees and whatever else we might encounter ;)

Carry enough water for the day. Bring a minimum of 2 quarts/liters.

**Equipment:** Use your Scout Handbook to help you pack for this Day Trip.

Some essentials: Day Pack, Hiking Boots, Rain Gear, Large Trash Bag, Knife, Rope, First Aid Kit, Flashlight, Matches, Extra Clothes.

Maps will be provided - Don't forget your compass.

Questions? Call your Patrol Leader - he's an expert!