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To ensure that your child has a fun and safe experience we ask for your help with the following:

- Wear appropriate footwear (tennis shoes or hiking boots). No sandals please.
- Dress appropriately for the weather in layers. Layers can always be removed!
- Protect your child from outdoor conditions such as the sun, mosquitos, and ticks. Suggestions are available on our website, under 'Education & Events' then 'preK-12 Education' then 'Teacher Forms'
- Notify your teacher of any health conditions/concerns (bee sting allergy, asthma, wheelchair, etc).
We can accommodate our programs to meet your needs.

Thank you for your help in creating a positive experience for your child. For more information about Outdoor University, our educational classes, and other programs, please visit www.csbsju.edu/OutdoorU. We have over 20 miles of trails and many family events scheduled throughout the year. We welcome you and your family any time!

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