

## **BHS Outdoor Pursuits 110 – Canoe Trip 2018**

### **Southwest Miramichi River...McNamee Footbridge to Hallihan's**

#### **Rationale and Trip Plan...**

The portion of Southwest Miramichi River we are paddling was chosen for several reasons. First of all, it is followed closely by the Route 8 Highway so help is never too far away in case of emergency. Second, the Southwest Miramichi has a mix of calm and fast water. Third, the skills which the students have acquired while paddling on the Bartholomew River and the MVHS pool should have them well prepared for anything they might encounter on this section of water. The entry point will be the Doaktown bridge. This section of water will provide some wilderness paddling while passing camps and homes the entire trip. The intended campsite for the journey is at Mercury Island. The take out location will be at Hallihan's Camps on the Southwest Miramichi River (70 Whitetail Lane on the South Cains River Road).

Another advantage about paddling this New Brunswick River is that we have detailed river map, ideal for canoeing in that it is easy to determine where you are at all times while on route. We have staff that has had paddling experience on this stretch of River. This quality paddling trip will hone the students' paddling skills. As well, it should also prove to be an excellent opportunity to draw upon outdoor cooking, camping and teambuilding skills. We believe this trip will do a lot to further enthusiasm in enjoying the outdoors.

#### **Schedule: Monday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

8:30 AM	Pack the bus
9:15 AM	Depart from Blackville School *possible Tim's run before take off
10:30 AM	Arrive at entry point at Doaktown Bridge
11:00 AM	Depart in canoes
1:00 PM	Lunch (bag lunch along the river)
4:00 PM	Set-up campsite for the evening and start fire for Dutch Ovens
6:00 PM	Supper
6:30 PM	Clean-up
8:00 PM	Campfire and cooperative games
11:00 PM	Bed

#### **Tuesday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

7:00 AM	Rise and Shine
7:45 AM	Breakfast
8:15 AM	Clean-up, dishes and pack gear
9:00 AM	Depart in canoes
12:00 PM	Lunch (one burner meal along the river)
2:00 PM	Reach takeout at Hallihan's
3:00 PM	Return to Blackville School

**We are including an itemized gear list that students will need for the trip. Students have spent time planning meals with their cooking groups. If you have any questions regarding the trip you may contact me at 843-6554 or by email at [Ashley.Hallihan@nbed.nb.ca](mailto:Ashley.Hallihan@nbed.nb.ca)**

**Emergency: Contact Rodney Buggie at 625-1432**

## Equipment List for OP 110 Canoe Trip October 29 & 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018

### Group Needs

Tents	One Burner Stoves	Fire Starter Kit	Dry bags
Latrine Shovel	Fuel Bottles	Bailers	Groceries
Charcoal	Cook Sets	Dish Towels/Camp Soap	Coolers
Garbage Bags	First Aid Kit	Camp Saws/Axe	Tarps/Canopy
Matches/Lighter	AAA and AA Batteries	Dutch Oven Kits	Rope

### Personal Needs

Pencil or Pen and Journal	Roll of toilet paper	Ziplock bags
2 Garbage Bags	Water Bottle	Flashlight/Headlamp
Extra Batteries	1 Liter of H2O	Personal Toiletries
Knife or Multi Tool	Camera	Snacks
Toque/Hat	Hand Sanitizer	Gloves
Fleece Type Jacket	Shell or Wind Breaker	Warm Under Layer Pants
Over Pants	1 Pair Extra Pants	3 Pairs of Socks
3 Pairs of Underwear	2 Long Sleeve Shirts	Rain Gear
2 Pairs of Shoes/Boots	Sleeping Bag/Pillow/Mat	Towel/Face cloth

### Evaluation

**Each group will be evaluated on the following...**

**Group Video – each group is responsible to make a video documenting the trip from start to finish. The videos will be created after the trip and then uploaded to our YouTube channel**

**Meal Preparation – each group is required to cook a Dutch oven meal for the group supper**

**Clean-up – every group is responsible to clean dishes and keep the campsite clean, no trace camping!**

**Journal – everybody is responsible to keep a journal documenting their trip...both text and photos**

**Canoe Skills – Individuals will be evaluated on their canoe skills**