



Komo Kulshan Outdoor School
P.O. Box 842, Concrete, WA 98237

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Sponsored by a local non-profit (Community Arts, Recreation and Education coalition: CARE) and in partnership with Puget Sound Energy, we will be participating in an outstanding environmental education program, Komo Kulshan Outdoor School (KKOS), in the Baker Lake watershed. Our class will be attending from _____ to _____.

As a highly regarded part of our school curriculum, this opportunity will provide students with a positive educational experience. It is one in which they will have the opportunity to develop social and personal skills, as well as experience academic and physical challenges in a cooperative, outdoor adventure. Your child's teacher and professional environmental educators will lead hikes and activities focusing on watershed education, natural resources and energy conservation. In addition, selected, local high school students will assist in a leadership capacity during each session. Their classroom will be the forests, streams, plants and wildlife of the Baker Lake watershed.

Komo Kulshan Outdoor School is based at Puget Sound Energy's Baker Lake Lodge, 14 miles north of Highway 20, off Baker Lake Road, surrounded by the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie national Forest. The Baker Lake Lodge is reserved and secured just for KKOS participants. Students, teachers, high school leaders, parent chaperones and staff sleep in the lodge, spend their days hiking and participating in educational activities and practice cooperative living skills during the 3-day, 2-night field program. Thanks to the generous operational support from PSE and a grant from the Electric League, tuition is now FREE!

Support from parents enables this educational experience be successful and positive for all involved. **Parents can help in the following ways:**

- Help students in planning and packing clothes and equipment (Form #3). Necessary items may be available to borrow at KKOS (backpacks, ponchos, sweaters, etc).
- Be a chaperone for KKOS: go on hikes, assist with lessons, supervise student recreation times, join in the evening campfire programs, and share an unforgettable experience with your child. *If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact your child's teacher right away!*

Sincerely,
