**PERMISSION FORM TO SEE *HARRIET***

We have an opportunity to take our students to the Violet Crown Theater on Charlottesville’s Downtown Mall to see the PG-13-rated movie *Harriet*, the story of heroic abolitionist Harriet Tubman**.** Of course, the life of Harriet Tubman is related to the curricula of both US History 6 and US History 7, and even incidents in the movie are linked to discussion of government and law formation in our 8th grade Civics classes.

However, as noted above, the movie – an powerful telling of Harriet Tubman's “evolution from being a young, married slave in Maryland, to her escape to Philadelphia, to her courage to become the ‘Moses’ of the Underground Railroad” (CommonSenseMedia.org) – is rated PG-13, so students will need parent permission to attend. CommonSenseMedia.org suggests 12+ as the age for viewers, so we invite parents to review the information on their site prior to returning the permission form. Another informational site to assist parents is Kids-In-Mind.com.

Prior to the viewing of the movie, we will discuss Harriet Tubman’s life during a Homeroom lesson on Wednesday, 11/20, and we will also follow the movie with discussion and reflection.

**The grade levels will attend on the following dates:  
   
Monday, November 25: 6th Grade  
Tuesday, November 26: 7th & 8th Grades**

**RAIN OR SHINE: Please be sure your student dresses appropriately for the walk to the theater.**

**DETAILS:** On 11/25 and 26, students will depart Burley at about 9:15 a.m. and walk to the theater. The movie will run from approximately 10:00 a.m. until shortly after noon. Students will return to school at approximately 12:30 (or a little after). Following the movie, we will have a pizza lunch for all students.

The cost for the movie & lunch is $10.00 and must be paid in advance. If your student will only participate in the pizza lunch and not attend the movie, the cost will be $3.00.

In order for your student to attend, please complete the permission form below **by Wednesday, 11/20**.

My student (print name) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has permission to attend on 11/25 (6th grade) or 11/26 (7th & 8th grades).

❑ My student WILL attend the movie. I have enclosed the exact amount of $10.00 for the movie & lunch.

❑ My student WILL NOT attend the movie. I have enclosed the exact amount of $3.00 for the lunch only. In this case, students will complete an alternative assignment related to Harriet Tubman and the Underground Railroad.

❑ An additional amount of $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is included to use for a student who cannot afford the cost of this field trip.

❑ I would like to talk to someone about obtaining a partial scholarship to cover the cost of the movie/lunch.

Parent/guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_