

Dear Teacher:

This is your invitation to bring your class to the Sawnee Indian Festival and Educational Field Day on Friday, May 1, 2009 at the Cumming Fairgrounds. The Sawnee Indian Festival delivers the best of the best in Native American programming which allows students and teachers to not only view our showcase activities but to also participate in our dances, songs, and primitive skills challenges.

Come watch as warriors on horseback battle it out in the high energy and dramatic dance know as the sneak-up. Witness our own birdman as he flies live birds of prey on command at speeds that surpass any other animal on earth. Listen to the stories from our Native wisdom keepers and witness the ancient, colorful and mystical moves of the Aztec Dance Company. The spectacular hoop dance will mesmerize everyone, while an array of traditional, fancy, jingle, grass, and straight dancers showcase the diversity of our dances and songs.

Meet Kola, the War Pony that made horse clinician Pony Boy (Ga Wa Ni) famous. You can't miss Thunder, who is the south's largest buffalo standing over 6 feet at the hump and weighing over 2,200 pounds along with his little buddy, Tank, a baby buffalo. Walk through a living history village with tipi encampments and interpreters while savoring the smells and tastes of earthen cooking.

Browse and shop the Native marketplace and check out the concessions that offer you the best of American Indian cuisine such as gator tail, buffalo, Indian frybread, and roasted corn. We even have hamburgers and prairie dogs (corn dogs) for those on a cowboy diet. Feel free to bring your own packed lunch as well.

Our programs meet Georgia school standards and have been positively acclaimed for the last twenty years. Don't miss this opportunity to give your students a valuable experience in cultural fellowship as they meet Indian men, women, and children who represent numerous tribes from Cherokee, Lakota Sioux, Creek, Caddo, Ojibwa, Cree, Apache, Aztec, and others.

All of this and much more at the Cumming Fairgrounds in Cumming, GA on Friday, May 1, 2009. Grade Levels are the 3rd grade – 8th grade. Students and chaperones are \$6.00 each, while all teachers and bus drivers are FREE. For more information and to make reservations please go to: www.cummingfair.net, then click on events, then click on Indian Festival and look for Indian Festival School Field Trip and download the online reservation form and fax the completed form to 770-781-3492.

Thank You,

Dave Horton
Fairgrounds Director

