



Welcome to Wonder Valley Outdoor Education Center!

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are so excited to welcome your child to Wonder Valley's Outdoor Education Program. Our goal is to provide your child with an experience they will never forget.

While your student(s) will be under the care of the qualified chaperones selected by your school, Wonder Valley Outdoor Education staff will also be present at all times on site to teach each class and be available as a resource for the school. Every effort has been taken to train our staff, with a high emphasis on safety, to provide a varied educational program that is hands on and exciting. We appreciate the confidence you have placed in us by sending your child to Wonder Valley.

If you are a first year family with us, please do not hesitate to contact us to inquire how your child is doing. Many children express apprehension prior to boarding the bus and by the time they start their activity rotation they are excited and ready to learn.

You can E-mail us at frontdesk@wondervalley.com or call (559)787-2551.

During the week of your student's visit, our office hours will be from 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM. After 9:00 PM, our phones are put on answering machines and a voice mail message can be directed to the Resort Office. This will be checked regularly.

In case of an emergency, you may call 1-800-821-2801 during business hours or 1-559-2898788 after hours.

Thank you!

Sincerely,
Mikaela Silva
Program Director
Wonder Valley Outdoor Education Center



Helpful Information and Policies

Transportation: Students will arrive to Wonder Valley by bus transportation, typically provided by the organizing school. Please check with the school office for exact times for departures or arrivals.

Smoking, Liquor, Weapons & Drugs: Use or possession of any cigarettes, liquor, or non-Rx drugs (including marijuana), or weapons of any kind by any student will result in immediate dismissal of the student; in which case there shall be no refund of any part of the Outdoor Education fee.

Money & Valuables: There is a limited amount of Outdoor Education merchandise that students will have the opportunity to buy during their stay. We recommend the students bring no more than \$10-\$15 with them. Please DO NOT send valuables or expensive watches, jewelry, or electronics with your student(s). Wonder Valley Outdoor Education Center will not take responsibility for these lost items.

Phone Calls: Our Outdoor Education property extends over many acres and it is impossible to call students to the telephone. News of friends speaking to their parents on the telephone can cause problems with the other students and make it hard for them to be engaged in the activities they are at Outdoor Education to participate in. Please do not expect phone calls from students.

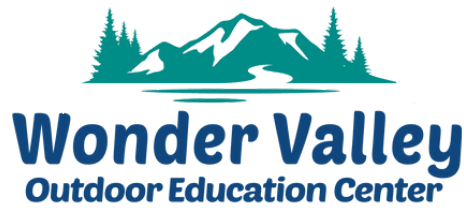
Cell Phones: DO NOT send cell phones with students. It can get lost or damaged and is not needed for the activities during Outdoor Education trips. Chaperones or School Staff are encouraged to confiscate and return cell phones when returning to the school campus.

Student Health Guidelines

Before Arrival: To help ensure a healthy and enjoyable experience for all participants, we ask that you do not send your student to Wonder Valley if they are sick or exhibiting symptoms of illness, including fever, cough, sore throat, or any other signs of a communicable condition. Please treat attendance at Outdoor Education as you would a regular school day—students who are unwell should stay home.

This helps us protect the health of all students, staff, and chaperones and minimizes disruptions to the program.

Note: Health and safety practices may be adjusted in accordance with any updated State or Local Health Guidelines.



Student Conditions for Enrollment

1. The student, their parents, guardians, and relatives agree to abide by the rules and regulations set forth by Wonder Valley for the health, safety and welfare of the students.
2. Wonder Valley reserves the right to dismiss a student whose conduct or influence is unsatisfactory, or is, in the opinion of the Outdoor Education Director, not in the best interest of the Outdoor Education Center, and, in that event, there shall be no refund of any part of the fee.
3. Wonder Valley Outdoor Education Center is not responsible for articles of clothing or personal belongings being lost or damaged.
4. Should both parents/guardians leave their place of residence for an extended period of time during the student's field trip, the School and Director should be advised as to where they can be contacted in case of an emergency.
5. If the student has any dietary needs or health concerns, they will be communicated to the teachers or to Wonder Valley Outdoor Education prior to arrival.
- 6 The undersigned consents to the use of any pictures of the student for the purpose of advertising or promotion.
7. Students are not allowed to use a phone or accept phone calls from parents during their short stay at Wonder Valley Outdoor Education Center. Should you have any concerns, please call our office at 559-787-2551, and ask to speak to the Outdoor Education Director.
8. I understand and acknowledge that certain activities as listed in your literature (such as horseback riding, sports, etc.) have an increased risk of injury. I further acknowledge and state that I assume full responsibility for my child's safety and well-being while he/she is participating in such activities. I hereby agree to release and indemnify Western Camps, Inc., Wonder Valley Outdoor Education Center, River Way Ranch Camp, Wonder Valley Ranch Resort and all their officers, employees, agents and representatives whatsoever, from any claims, costs, expense (including attorney fees) and/or damages which any of them sustain or incur arising out of my child's participation in such activity.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

Student Name Date



Student Packing List

PLEASE MARK ALL ITEMS WITH INDELIBLE INK OR NAME TAG.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND CLOTHING THAT REQUIRES SPECIAL CARE SUCH AS DRY-CLEANING, HANDWASHING, OR IRONING.

3 Day Trip

Water bottle
2 pairs of underwear
3 pairs of socks
2 pairs of long pants
2 pairs of tennis shoes
3 t-shirts & 1 long sleeve shirt
1 sweatshirt & 1 jacket
1 towel and 1 face cloth
2 pairs of pajamas
1 pair of slippers
Sleeping bag & pillow
Toiletries (shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste & lip balm)
Small bag or day pack (students will be given a workbook for the classes)
Sunscreen (non-aerosol)
Insect repellent (non-aerosol)
Pens, paper, and pencils
Sunglasses
Flashlight

Cold Weather: Late October - March

In addition to the above lists, please bring the following if possible:

Waterproof hat & gloves
Waterproof rain/snow jacket
Waterproof rain/snow pants
Wool socks + extra socks
Waterproof snow boots
Long underwear

Clothing should be packed in a duffle bag or suitcase that is TAGGED FOR IDENTIFICATION

Please refer to the reverse side for Unnecessary and Prohibited Items



Unnecessary and Prohibited Items

Please pack conservatively according to the previous list. We have found that generally students do not need additional items.

To avoid the loss of valuable items, we strongly suggest that the following items remain at home: cell phones, video games, computers, portable music devices and other expensive electronics. We cannot guarantee any of these items' safekeeping and will not replace them if lost. The school staff may confiscate the previously listed items upon your child's arrival.

We have a small gift shop open right during lunchtime of the second day of the trip just for students, chaperones and teachers! Everything is wallet friendly, nothing more than \$10-\$15. This is a totally optional shopping opportunity and students do not need to bring any money for anything else. All food, and even tasty snacks, are provided by our amazing kitchen staff.

Please do not send cell phones, iPads or any WiFi enabled device with your child. These items will be collected by school staff and returned when they are back on school campus. In case of emergencies, your child will be able to call home using phones on property.

Flammable items and aerosol cans are prohibited on property due to fire safety protocols. Food or candy packed in luggage will also be confiscated by school staff to help prevent pests in the sleeping areas.

* Wonder Valley experiences cold weather during which there is a good chance of rain, sleet or both. Thunderstorms can occur as early as the end of October and as late as mid-April. Even when days are warm and sunny, evenings can be cold. We recommend sunscreen and sunglasses year round. Because your child will be spending most of their time outdoors, please help them pack the appropriate clothing noted on the packing list. Wonder Valley recommends checking the weather forecast frequently the week prior to your child's visit. The weather can change from day to day, and we want to ensure that your child is properly prepared. Staying warm and dry will help the students have the most fun and best experience.

Sample Schedule

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
		Pack up & clean cabin! Move Luggage to Lakeshore
Arrive 10:00 am	Breakfast 8:00	Breakfast 8:15
Unload Luggage Welcome Orientation	9:00am-10:15am Period 4	9:00am Depart
Property Tours Cabin Assignments	10:30am-11:45am Period 5	
Lunch 12:00	Lunch 12:00	
1:00pm-2:15pm Period 1	1:00pm-2:15pm Period 6	
2:30pm-3:45pm Period 2	2:30pm-3:45pm Period 7	
4:00pm-5:15pm Period 3	4:00pm-5:15pm Period 8	
5:30pm-6:15pm Shower Hour	5:30pm-6:15pm Shower Hour	
6:30pm Dinner	6:30pm Dinner	
7:15pm-9:00pm Evening Program	7:15pm-9:00pm Evening Program	
9:30 pm Lights Out	9:30 pm Lights Out	