EAS April Adventure Trip Descriptors 2023

Important Note: These trips are in the planning stages and will be reviewed by LWSD Risk Management for final approval. Trips must fill to a minimum number in order to take place. Please read over carefully for specific details. Also note that not all trips depart/return on the same dates. Check your family calendar before you commit to one of these trips.

EAS teachers aim to make each trip unique, educational, adventurous, and fun-filled. 8th grade choices will be filled first, followed in order by seventh, and sixth grades. Some trips may fill before all grade levels sign-up. Parent signature on sign-up form is required.

April Adventures Sign-up Timeline:

- Monday, 11/21 Trips announced at Monday Morning Meeting & communicated to parents
- Tuesday, 11/22 through Wednesday, 11/30 @ 8:30 am 8th grade sign-ups (forms turned in to EAS Office)
- Friday, 12/2 announce remaining open trips to 6th/7th graders and communicate to parents
- Monday, 12/5 through Wednesday, 12/7 @ 8:30 am 7th grade sign-ups (forms turned in to EAS Office)
- Friday, 12/9 announce remaining open trips to 6th graders and communicate to parents
- Monday, 12/12 through Wednesday, 12/14 @ 8:30 am 6th grade sign-ups (forms turned in to EAS Office)
- Friday, 12/16 Communicate final trip rosters to students and parents

"Salish Sea Kayak" with Ms. Andrada: Estimated Cost \$625-675 (Final cost dependent upon final itinerary & number of participants). 28 students maximum. Monday April 24 – Friday April 28.

Join Ms. Andrada for a 5-day and 4-night overnight aquatic adventure kayaking in the waters of the Salish Sea. On Monday we'll head north to Anacortes to catch the ferry to Friday Harbor on San Juan Island. We'll trek across the island to be greeted in Roche Harbor by our kayak guides who will be with us throughout the week. Over the course of the trip we'll paddle, learn to depend on each other, paddle, cook our own food, paddle, sleep in tents, paddle some more, and take in all the terrestrial and marine life along the way!

Students will need to be able to comfortably paddle a tandem sea kayak for up to 3 hours at a time to participate fully. Participants will be given a safety orientation for all water activities and will be provided with all necessary gear for kayaking, including PFDs, spray skirts, etc.

The trip fee includes kayak rentals and gear, all water instruction, food, and transportation. Students will need to bring their own packed lunch on the first day of the trip. A full set of quality rain gear, a compressible sleeping bag, and a compressible sleeping pad is a MUST for this trip.

"Funky Fresh 509" with Ms. Minato: Estimated Cost \$500-550 (Final cost dependent upon final itinerary & number of participants). 30 students maximum. Monday April 24 – Friday April 28.

Join Ms. Minato on a trip to her favorite region of Washington. Funky Fresh 509 will explore Leavenworth, Wenatchee, and Chelan through beautiful mountain hikes, kayaking on Lake Wenatchee, and agritourism walkabouts. Try your hand at a rock-climbing gym, ziplining (if approved by LWSD Risk Management), bowling, antique malls, a high ropes course, and more. Want to meet a baby reindeer or see an army of nutcrackers in a museum? Sign up for this trip!

Additionally, students will learn about the local ecosystems, visit a salmon hatchery, learn how orchards operate, and how the state gets power from dams. Because of the physical activities on this trip, students should be able to hike moderately at least 6 miles with some elevation. All other activities are beginner-level. A full set of quality rain gear, a warm sleeping bag, and a sleeping pad are MUSTS for this trip.

"Ride Oregon's Stars" with Mr. Rose: Estimated cost \$1100-1300 (Final cost dependent upon final itinerary & number of participants). 29 students maximum. Monday April 24 – Saturday April 29.

Go on a 6-day 5-night excursion to Central Oregon to explore the trails and skies of the high desert. Join Mr. Rose and the Green Tortoise adventure bus to roll into hot springs, volcanic rock formations, bright clear skies and scenic biological beauty of Central Oregon. The unique desert landscape offers great places to tent camp, hike, bike and explore this unique environ. Students will hike, read, and work together in small groups to make this active trip a well-fed success.

Students will need to be able to ride a bike on unpaved trails. We will have a safety ride before the actual trip departs. Participants will be given instruction and appropriate levels of challenge for all biking activities and will have bikes and helmets provided.

The trip fee includes bus transportation, food and instruction. Students will need to bring their own packed lunch on the first day of the trip. Please plan on bringing a warm sleeping bag and pad for sleeping on the ground.

Trip price includes all meals and lodging as well as activities for the trip. The mountain bikes will be provided on location.

"San Juan Bike Adventure" with Mr. Hamilton: Estimated Cost \$400-500 (Final cost dependent upon final itinerary & number of participants). 28 students maximum. Monday April 24 – Friday April 28.

Come and experience the beautiful San Juan Islands on bicycles. Join Mr. Hamilton on this 5-day/ 4-night adventure throughout Lopez and Orcas Islands. We will explore the many wonderful sites and wonders of these islands while tent camping and cooking for the 5 days. All participants will need to have or obtain (borrow?) a properly fitting bicycle (road or mountain) for the week. (Mr. Hamilton will attempt to help you locate a bike if needed). Participants will also partake in an "Amazing Race" style of competition throughout the week with team challenges on the beach, in the kitchen and on the field. Our gear will be hauled for us, so all you need to do is bike and enjoy the amazing scenery along the way. All students will need to attend at least two of three practice/training riding sessions that will occur before the trip.

The trip fees are all inclusive and cover transportation to and from the event, food, lodging or camping fees, activities on the islands and a special memento.

"Explore the Gorge" with Mr. Healy: Estimated Cost - \$500-550 (Final cost dependent upon final itinerary & number of participants). 30 students maximum. Monday April 24 – Saturday April 29.

Join Mr. Healy on a 6-day/5-night adventure that explores the Columbia River Gorge! This spectacular river canyon, carved by volcanic eruptions and Ice Age floods is a treasure trove of adventure. During the week we'll take short hikes to spectacular waterfalls, Native American petroglyphs, and scenic viewpoints. We'll also tour dams and fish hatcheries, visit world-famous museums of art & history, explore a rainforest canopy on zip-lines & sky bridges (if approved by LWSD Risk Management), and spend an evening stargazing at an observatory.

Travelling in vans from Seattle, we'll camp in tents, prepare our own meals, and have nightly campfires. Throughout the trip we will meet with rangers and working scientists in the field, who will help us learn more about the history, ecology & geology of this scenic region. A full set of quality rain gear, a compressible sleeping bag, and a compressible sleeping pad are all MUST-HAVES for this trip.