



Riverside's Outdoor Education 10 Program Application Form

Student Selection Process

The application process is three parts, an application form, group interview and confidential reference check. Successful applicants will be notified when next year's schedules are published by the counselling department. Outdoor Ed is a program where students are expected to attend all classes and field trips. It is expected students make a full-time commitment to this program during the school day. If a student has scheduling conflicts due to extra-curricular commitments, they should have a conversation with the educators at the time of their application.

All interested students should attend the **Outdoor Ed Information meeting on February 16th at 11:15 AM** location TBA - either outside or on TEAMS.

The group interviews will take place in March, students will be emailed via school email their interview time and location. Each group will contain 4 - 6 students.

STUDENT INFORMATION

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Student School Email _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Cell #: _____

Parent Email _____

Home Address, City and Postal Code

STUDENT REFLECTION

Describe why you are interested Riverside's Outdoor Ed Program. Include why you feel you will benefit from being part of the program and what you can contribute to the program:

List your outdoor experiences:

Describe a situation where you overcame adversity:

List two references (two members of the school community that can verify you are a good candidate for the outdoor program) and who are willing to fill out a confidential reference. Make sure you have asked these adults they are willing to be your reference.

Name: _____

Name: _____

Email: _____

Email: _____

I acknowledged participation in outdoor activities has inherent risks outside the control of the school, school district and teaching staff. Upon entry into the program, you will be required to sign an informed consent form for the activities your son/daughter chooses to participate.

Student Signature: _____

Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Name: _____

Reasons why my son/daughter would benefit from this program:

Overview: The Riverside Outdoor Education Program combines four academic courses into a full-day academy that runs every day during semester II. Students receive credit for science, math, physical education, and leadership. A combination of experiential learning and traditional classroom instruction is used and effective study habits, time management and physical fitness are required of students. Students will be exposed to many outdoor pursuits as part of the physical education and outdoor education courses.

Outdoor Pursuits:

- Land Based: hiking, backpacking
- Snow Based: snowshoeing, downhill skiing, Nordic skiing
- Water Based: canoeing

Admission Criteria

Students must...

- achieve good academic standing in grade 9
- be in good standing (no behavior or attendance concerns)
- represent SD43 and comply to school policies in off-campus activities
- be able to safely participate, both physically and cognitively, in planned activities

Course Fees

Fee: \$550

Includes costs of transportation, tickets, third-party instruction, and equipment rentals, camping fees.

Personal Costs

Students must supply their own personal clothing. Appropriate boots and a three-layer clothing system (base-layers, insulation layers, and outer shell) are essential for participation in this program. More information will be given at the first parent meeting for successful applicants.

Please hand deliver your completed application form to Ms. McArthur in Portable 3 or to Ms. Brandsma in the PE office by Feb 18th, 2022.