



COTTONWOOD GULCH EXPEDITIONS

SCHOOL/COMMUNITY PROGRAMS ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION



OVERVIEW

Get involved in your community! Have you ever wondered about how we preserve natural landscapes like the Sandias or the Bosque? During this program, we will explore incredible wilderness areas that are in dire need of restoration from human impact, including mining, oil and gas extraction, and urban development. We'll learn about their natural history, cultural significance, and the habitats and local communities affected by polluting industries. Students are in the driver's seat, working alongside community experts, which helps them connect with their community. We'll collect scientific data to evaluate forest health, water quality, and local wildlife habitats. By the end of the program, students will develop and facilitate an environmental restoration project.

OUTCOMES

- Develop real-world field science and environmental conservation skills.
- Learn about threatened ecosystem and cultural site preservation
- Student-driven planning and facilitating of conservation projects.
- Collaboration with local community organizations and local experts.

OPTION A - TOTAL COST: For up to 25 students per field session: \$11,995
For up to 35 students per field session: \$13,995

OPTION B - TOTAL COST: Without Transportation: \$400/session
With Transportation: \$500/session

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Go for an adventure!
- Invest in community
- Work alongside local community experts
- Apply classroom knowledge
- Collect scientific data on ecosystem health
- Plan an environmental restoration project
- Engage your community on the results
- Gain technical skills in outdoor fields
- Visualize outdoor fields as a potential career path

PROGRAM LENGTH

Option A: Single day-trip followed by a 4-day camping trip

Option B: Weekly or monthly day trips within community

INTENDED AUDIENCE

This program is intended for high school students.

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