

In-Park Educational Examples

In-Park Educational Component: Your application for an in-park field trip must include an educational component that focuses on outdoor recreation and either healthy lifestyles, environmental science, or history/civics.

This component may be led by school staff at the park or by park staff as a part of a guided program.

Some examples include:

Science

- Biology: ecosystems, plant or animal adaptations, human/wildlife interactions
- o Biology: rock cycle, erosion and deposition, mountain building, volcanoes
- Hydrology: lake formation, salinity, water quality

History/Civics

- o Battle sites during wars: such as the Revolutionary War or the Civil War
- Westward Expansion: Lewis and Clark, Oregon Trail, or Gold Rush
- Civil Rights Movement: Sites of important speeches or events, historic homes

STEM

- Bridge or trail design and building
- Stabilization of high erosion sites
- Coastal structure design

Health

- o Promote physical health through hiking, yoga, paddling, or biking
- Promote mental health through yoga or meditation at a park
- Practice mindfulness through nature journaling