



Red Rock Canyon NCA Environmental Education Program Application Guidelines

Groups wishing to schedule teacher-led visitor center programs or ranger-led trail programs must submit an environmental education program application form.

❖ **Teacher-led/self-guided trail programs**

- Completion of a Red Rock Canyon teacher workshop is **required** for teachers to lead self-guided trail programs.
 - Explore the Great Outdoors (EGO)- Investigating Red Rock Canyon (PDE 2275)
 - Archaeology at Red Rock Canyon (PDE 3417)
 - Geology at Red Rock Canyon (PDE 3418)
 - Biology at Red Rock Canyon (PDE 3495)
- One Red Rock Canyon certified teacher per field trip is required.
- The Discovery Plaza Outside Museum is located at the Visitor Center; if you would like to explore on your own please schedule an extra 30 minutes before or after the trail program and make prior arrangements with Red Rock Canyon Environmental Education Staff.
- One bus per site is allowed, maximum of 60 students.

❖ **Ranger-led Programs (Offered on Wednesday and Thursday only)**

- A Red Rock Canyon certified teacher is **not required** for ranger-led visitor center programs.
- Topics are pre-determined by grade level.
- Park Rangers or Interpretive Naturalist will facilitate the program.
- One bus is allowed, maximum of 60 students.
- Programs are offered on Wednesday's and Thursday's

Submission of an application form does not automatically guarantee selection for a field trip. You will receive a confirmation letter via e-mail. If selected, you are responsible for arranging and paying for your own transportation.

❖ **Times**

- Clark County School District buses cannot pick up earlier than 9:00 a.m. and must return to the pick-up school no later than 1:00 p.m.
- All field trips are scheduled between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. unless otherwise arranged.
- Private charter busses are allowed.
- Check the Clark County School District Transportation Department for black-out dates.

❖ **All trips: Application forms are accepted for ALL dates beginning August 12th.**

- Make sure you fill out the appropriate application form for the type of field trip you wish: Teacher-led or Ranger-led.
- Each group must submit an application form. More than one qualified teacher from the same school may submit application forms.
- Each fieldtrip is limited to 60 students and 1 bus per site, per day.
- One (1) chaperone is required for every ten (10) students.
- Request for field trips will be processed in the order that they are received.
- Teachers will be contacted via e-mail to if date conflicts arise. Please leave relevant contact information, e-mail address and phone number on your application form.



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- Transportation Scholarships are available to eligible teachers/leaders from Friends of Red Rock Canyon. Information can be found at www.FriendsOfRedRockCanyon.org under the “About” and “Bus Grant” links.

❖ Fees

- There is no entrance fee or program fee for BLM **approved** and scheduled educational curriculum based groups.
- Groups which are not performing curriculum based programming and have not received their BLM educational permit prior to coming to Red Rock Canyon are subject to entrance and use fees.
- Contact Outdoor Recreation Planners if you have questions regarding your status. Kathy August 702-515-5138 or KAugust@blm.gov

Red Rock Canyon Teacher Workshops

- One Red Rock Canyon Teacher Workshop **IS REQUIRED** for institutions bringing educational groups to trails at Red Rock Canyon for self-guided activities.
- One Red Rock Canyon Teacher Workshop **IS REQUIRED** for institutions applying for the Friends of Red Rock Canyon Transportation Grant. <https://friendsredrock.org/about/bus-grant/>
- For more information and about workshops and dates contact the Red Rock Canyon education facilitator by e-mail at KSorom@blm.gov.

❖ Explore the Great Outdoors (EGO) –Investigating Red Rock Canyon (PDE 2275)

- This is a one day workshop designed for educators and children’s group leaders to familiarize themselves with Red Rock Canyon NCA facilities, group logistics and present information about the plant, animal, geology and cultural resources of Red Rock Canyon NCA and the Mojave Desert.
- Workshop is 8 hours in length and is available for Professional Development Experience (PDE) and Contact Units (CU) for Clark County teachers.
 - Teachers who wish to obtain PDE or CU credit **MUST** sign up with the Clark County School District prior to attending in ELMS or at 702-799-1921.

❖ Archaeology at Red Rock Canyon (PDE 3417)

- This is a one day workshop designed for educators and children’s group leaders to familiarize themselves with Red Rock Canyon’s cultural resources and history. Educators will become an Archaeologist for the day discovering how natural resources, occurrence of natural hazards and changes in climate influenced human activity in Red Rock Canyon.
- Workshop is 8 hours in length and is available for Professional Development Experience (PDE) and Contact Units (CU) for Clark County teachers.
 - Teachers who wish to obtain PDE or CU credit **MUST** sign up with the Clark County School District prior to attending in ELMS or at 702-799-1921.

❖ Geology at Red Rock Canyon (PDE 3418)

- This is a one day workshop designed for educators and children’s group leaders to familiarize themselves with Red Rock Canyon’s geologic resources. Educators will become a Geologist for the day. You will learn more about the basics geology and formations of Red Rock Canyon. You will create a replica mathematical model of the Red Rock Canyon geologic time scale using materials you learn in the workshop and how you can use this in your classroom.
- Workshop is 8 hours in length and is available for Professional Development Experience (PDE) and Contact Units (CU) for Clark County teachers.



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- ❖ **Biology at Red Rock Canyon (PDE 3495)**
 - This is a one day workshop designed for educators and children's group leaders to familiarize themselves with Red Rock Canyon's biological resources. Educators will become a biologist for the day. You will learn more about plants and animals of Red Rock Canyon.
 - Workshop is 8 hours in length and is available for Professional Development Experience (PDE) and Contact Units (CU) for Clark County teachers.
 - Teachers who wish to obtain PDE or CU credit MUST sign up with the Clark County School District prior to attending in ELMS or at 702-799-1921.
- ❖ **What if I'm applying for a Transportation Grant?**
 - If you have already taken a Red Rock Canyon Teacher Workshop and are applying for a Friends of Red Rock Canyon Transportation Grant you will need to fill out ALL forms.
 - Grant applications are only accepted during the specific times of **August 12 to April 6**
 - Teachers are responsible for
 - Scheduling their field trip dates with Red Rock Canyon Education Facilitator
 - Arranging their transportation
 - Submitting a receipt to the Friends of Red Rock Canyon NCA after their field trip to receive the reimbursement of their grant.
- ❖ **For Transportation Grant Information contact:**
 - Friends of Red Rock Canyon 702-515-5360
 - 3205 State Highway 159, Las Vegas, NV 89161
 - <https://friendsredrock.org/about/bus-grant/>