# **KID OUTDOORS**



Free Access to Federal Lands and Waters for 4th Graders and Their Guests A world of learning, discovery, and fun awaits every kid!



Calling all fourth graders! What do you know about America's

federal lands and waters? You can find them almost everywhere! From Puerto Rico to Maine and Virginia to the Pacific Islands, some of America's most spectacular destinations await your discovery.

Learn about your heritage and connect with nature while you explore more than 400 national parks and millions of acres of federal lands and waters. Visit cool places like Land Between the Lakes, Channel Islands, the St. Louis Arch, San Antonio Missions, the Frederick Douglass home, Canyon of the Ancients, and the Florida Keys. Listen to howling wolves, check out prehistoric dinosaur tracks, paddle a river, walk in the footsteps of Lewis and Clark, or look up into a dark night sky and reach for the stars!

Visit www.everykidoutdoors.gov to learn more about how to obtain and use your pass, get help in planning your trip, and locate available educational materials.

www.everykidoutdoors.gov

#### Every US fourth grader is invited.

By participating in the *Every Kid Outdoors* program, you can visit and learn about your federal lands and waters right now. Ignite a passion for history and culture and spark a lifelong commitment to saving places that matter. Learn about opportunities for classroom activities or ways to become involved in protecting these special places.

Beginning each September, if you are a US fourth grader (including home-schooled and free-choice learners 10 years of age) you can download your own voucher to gain unlimited, free access to any federal lands or waters for a year!

#### Go get your pass!

Getting a pass is simple! Visit the "Get Your Pass" section of www.everykidoutdoors.gov, complete an online game, and download a personalized voucher for print and use at federal lands and waters locations. This paper voucher can be exchanged for a more durable, Interagency Annual 4th Grade Pass at certain federal lands or waters sites.

Please contact a federal land or water site directly for questions about pass acceptance and fees:

- Bureau of Land Management (www.blm.gov)
- Bureau of Reclamation (www.usbr.gov)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (www.fws.gov)
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (www.oceanservice.noaa.gov)
- National Park Service (www.nps.gov)
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (www.corpslakes.us)
- U.S. Forest Service (www.fs.fed.us)
- www.everykidoutdoors.gov



#### Who is included in the voucher or pass?

As a fourth grader with a voucher or pass, anyone in the vehicle with you is admitted for free at sites that charge per vehicle. If visiting a site that charges per person, up to three accompanying adults will be admitted free with the fourth grader with a pass. If the fourth grader and his or her family are riding bikes, up to three accompanying adults are included, too! The fourth grader must be present to use the pass.

Educators can also be involved! Go online today and visit www.everykidoutdoors.gov to learn more.





#### Get fee-free entry!

At some unstaffed federal lands and waters, a valid pass is required to be displayed in the vehicle. The Interagency Annual 4th Grade Pass should be displayed from the rear view mirror using an available hangtag or on the dashboard. If you, the fourth grader, have a paper voucher, the voucher should be placed on the dashboard with the bar code visible.

Trip planning tools can be found at these websites:

- www.everykidoutdoors.gov
- www.findyourpark.com
- www.discovertheforest.org
- www.recreation.gov

#### Learn More About Every Kid Outdoors

The Every Kid Outdoors website offers information on how to obtain a voucher and pass, tips for trip planning, and how to get involved. Please visit www.everykidoutdoors.gov or follow the hashtag #EveryKidOutdoors.

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#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

## Q. How can US fourth graders (including home-schooled and free-choice learners 10 years of age) obtain a voucher or pass?

A. By visiting www.everykidoutdoors.gov, participating in the online activity, and downlding oaand printing a personalized voucher.

#### Q. What is the voucher or pass valid for?

A. The pass is FREE and covers entrance or standard amenity fees (day use) at Bureau of Land Management, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Reclamation, U. S. Forest Service, and U. S. Army Corps of Engineers sites. Some fees, like camping and special tours are not covered. In addition, private businesses manage some facilities and may not honor the pass. It is always a good idea to contact the site you are visiting to learn how the pass is honored.

#### Q. How long can I use the pass?

A. The pass is valid for a full year beginning September 1 and ending August 31 of your 4th grade year.

### **Q**. Will a single voucher or pass allow entry for more than one vehicle?

A. No. Only the vehicle with the pass owner can enter for free.

#### Q. Can a pass owner on a bicycle gain entry into federal lands or waters sites for accompanying friends on bicycles?

A. Yes. The pass owner and up to three accompanying adult bicyclists can enter for free.

## Q. Can a lost or stolen voucher or pass be replaced? Can serial numbers be tracked?

A. No. Due to privacy and logistical considerations, passes cannot be replaced if lost or stolen; a new voucher or pass must be accessed by going to the www. everykidoutdoors.gov website and completing the same activities to obtain a new paper voucher.

#### Q. If I forget to bring my voucher or pass to a site and pay the entrance or use fee, can I mail in the receipt and a photocopy of the pass or voucher and obtain a refund?

A. Refunds are not issued. Pass or voucher photocopies, electronic images, and hangtags without passes are not valid for entrance use.

## Q. Can I loan a paper voucher or Interagency Annual 4th Grade Pass to a friend to use?

A. No. You, the pass owner (fourth grade student), must be present when the pass is used. It is not transferrable.