

CAMPUS CAMPOUT



... bringing the Parks to you



“Campus Campout” is a specially designed program developed to incorporate the state framework into an interactive learning experience based on the Nation Parks.

Dear California PTA,

In 1916, the National Park Service accepted six million acres for safekeeping, a responsibility that now exceeds 84 million acres. The challenge is to conserve what is timeless while keeping pace with the needs of modern Americans. The 2016 Centennial Initiative was adopted to prepare parks for the next century, when new trends will reshape our society and make unprecedented demands of preservation, education, and recreation.

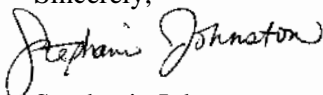
Nature Corps invites the California PTA to take the lead in meeting this challenge by engaging the next generation of children and families to understand their history, culture, and the forces that shape the great outdoors.

National parks offer an ideal venue to reconnect children and families with the great outdoors through active education and recreation right at their own school.

PTA, the voice for all children, the resource for families and communities, and an advocate for the education and well-being of every child ... this statement reflects the vision behind Nature Corps and the National Park Service Centennial Challenge.

Please join us in sharing “the greatest university without walls,” the National Parks, with the students and families in your schools through CampusCampout.

Sincerely,



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- ▲ Nature Corps has developed a "Campus Campout" program to reconnect children and families with the great outdoors at their school campus.
- ▲ Students and their families will attend an overnight campout on their campus to learn about Art, Science, Social Studies, Language Arts and Citizenship through the National park experience.
- ▲ "Campus Campout" is geared towards K-6 students across California in this pilot program.
- ▲ Twenty elementary schools throughout California will be invited to participate in this pilot program next May - 2009.
- ▲ Nature Corps' goal is to introduce the National Parks to students across the nation through "Campus Campout".

Campus Campout Itinerary

All activities will be able to show a direct link to the state educational frameworks.

Friday Night:

- Δ Video display on the National Parks
- Δ Park Service Presentation
 - Wildlife Education
 - Conservation & Recreation
 - Fire Ecology
- Δ Camp Cookout
- Δ Camp Games
- Δ Local Storyteller
- Δ Music & Stargazing

Saturday Morning:

- Δ Breakfast
- Δ Volunteer Project:
 - Families will collaborate on a campus project to benefit their school or community*

As a Nature Corps partner through "Campus Campout" you will be provided with all of the resources necessary to sponsor this rewarding event on your campus.

Nature Corps Provides:

- ▲ School Site Training
- ▲ Pre-event Promotion
- ▲ Media Relations
- ▲ Curriculum Enhancement Materials
- ▲ Certificate of Recognition
- ▲ Promotional Material / Banner
- ▲ Downloadable forms / flyers
- ▲ DVD on National Parks
- ▲ T-shirts for student participants
- ▲ Event step-by-step manual:
 - + State framework oriented projects
 - + Game ideas and instructions
 - + Safe campfire procedures
 - + Campus Project ideas
 - + List of National Parks / websites
 - + Program Itinerary
 - + Local storyteller contacts

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