











"The Original 6th Grade Camp"







#### San Diego County Office of Education



#### **Outdoor Education Philosophy**

That which can be learned in the classroom should be taught there, and that which can be best learned in the out-of-doors should be taught there.









Our commitment to hiring and training well-qualified education professionals means your students are cared for just like they would be back in the classroom.

- SDCOE employees
- Credentialed principal and teachers
- All employees are fingerprinted, and background checked
- Average 15 years experience in our program











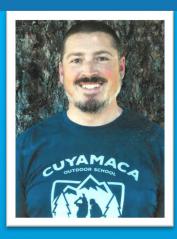
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Dustin Burns, Project Manager



Kris Pamintuan, Principal



Mike Wegner, Vice Principal

## **Leadership Team**



Katie Andersen, Village Leader

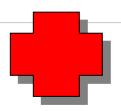


Doug Connor, Head Teacher



Tori Klinge, Head Teacher

## **Health Services**



- The health services team includes a registered nurse and two health technicians.
- The health staff will distribute all prescribed medications and can provide care for illnesses, accidents, and students with special needs.
- Every staff member is trained in CPR and first aid.
- The Health Center is open 24 hours a day.



**Health Center** 

760-765-4110





#### **Dining Hall Experience**

- The Outdoor School kitchen prepares tasty and nutritious meals.
- Dietary needs are accommodated with advanced notice.
- Students eat family style in the dining hall.
- During each meal students can have seconds and thirds (and sometimes even fourths!).
- Dessert is served at the end of dinner.
- A snack is served during evening programs







# Academic Goals

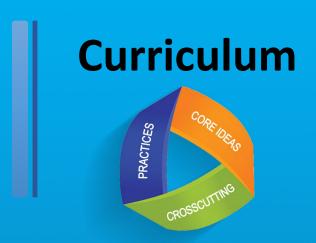




- Appreciation of nature
- Understanding how life functions on Earth
- Reducing human impact on the environment
- Learning how to think like a scientist







#### Standards-Based Curriculum

Hands-on science concepts incorporating:

- **Next Generation Science Standards** 
  - ✓ Crosscutting Concepts
  - ✓ Science & Engineering Practices
  - ✓ Disciplinary Core Ideas
- Real World Community Science Projects

- **Common Core** 
  - ✓ Critical Thinking
  - ✓ Communication
  - ✓ Collaboration
  - ✓ Creativity





## **How Does Life Function on Earth?**



#### THINK LIKE A SCIENTIST!

Students are placed in activity groups with an approximate student to teacher ratio of 18:1







#### **Nature Explorations:**

Students explore daily on two, 2 ½ -hour Nature Study hikes.



**Patterns** 



Structure and Function



**Cause and Effect** 



**Systems and System Models** 



### **Adventure Day**

Students gain an appreciation of nature and learn how to have a positive human impact on the environment during an immersive a six-hour picnic hike.



**Rock Canyon** 



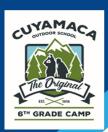
**Stonewall Peak** 



**Green Valley Falls** 



**Lake Cuyamaca** 



# W.R.A.P

#### Wilderness Recreation Activity Program



Geocaching



**Rock Climbing** 



Low Elements Course



Archery





## **Evening Programs**









# Students Schedule

- 6:30 Wake Up
- 7:00 Breakfast
- 7:45 Cabin Time
- 8:00 Team Time
- 8:45 Cabin Time
- 9:00 Nature Hikes
- 11:30 Cabin Time
- 11:45 Lunch
- 💌 12:45 / Nature Hikes 🥕

- 3:00 Cabin Time
- 3:154 Recess
  - 3:45 Showers
- 5:00 Dinner
- 6:00 Cabin Team Time
  - 6:45 Evening Program
  - · 7:45 Bathroom Break
  - 8:00 Story/Activity Time
- 9:15 Bedtime





# Character Development

Throughout the week, we incorporate our social growth principles:

- **I** Integrity
- **C** Cooperation
- **A** Attitude
- R Respect
- **E** Empathy



## **TEAMWORK**





Cuyamaca
Outdoor School
enriches lives by
connecting
children to
science through
nature and by
fostering positive
character
development.









- Each cabin has 4 dens (rooms).
- Each den holds up to 18 students.
- All cabins have inside restrooms, showers, and heat.
- •Students are <u>always</u> supervised by trained staff members.





















# Classroom Teachers play a big role in Outdoor Education

- Students see their teachers every day at recess, meals, programs, and hikes.
- Classroom teachers meet with their classes every morning.







# What to Bring to Camp...



- 2 Pairs of Shoes
- Long Pants for Hikes
- Water Bottle
- Beach Towel/Towel Poncho
- Disposable Camera
- Great Attitude!









#### **Learning Self Reliance**

- Responsibility
- Independence
- Personal Growth



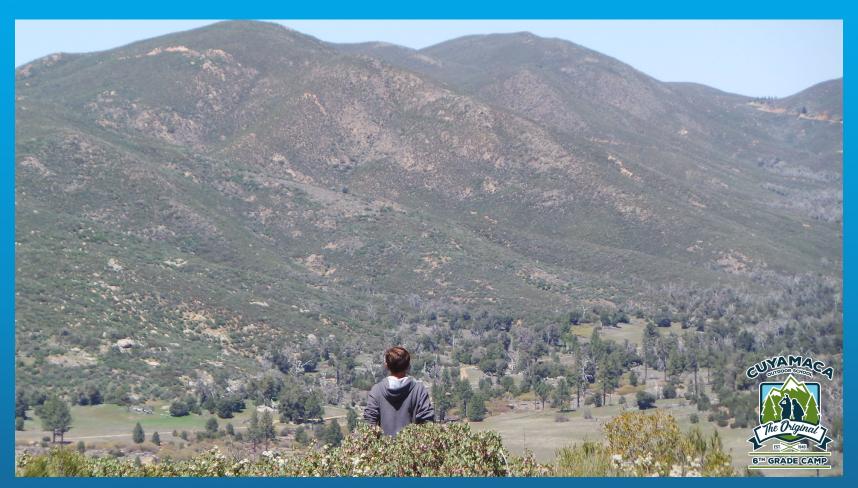








We envision a future when all sixth-grade students in San Diego County will benefit from participating in this transformative outdoor education experience at Cuyamaca Outdoor School.











# Camp is Fun!

















# It's A Once in a Lifetime Opportunity









# Thank you!!!



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