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I Want Outdoor Adventures at My School?

Your Middle School or High School can offer Outdoor Adventures if you can say YES to ANY of these questions:

1) Does your school offer P.E.? YES

Outdoor Adventures curriculum is aligned to the National P.E. standards and can be taught in any secondary school (Middle, Junior or High School) (Private, Public or Charter School).

2) Does your school offer Local Elective courses?

Outdoor Adventures is a great hands-on, real world experience, cross-curricular course.

3) Does your school need Common Core emphasis?

Outdoor Adventures has built in Common Core standards in Science, Technology, and Mathematics.

4) Does your school offer Ag. Science Wildlife Management? YES

Outdoor Adventures curriculum aligns with Wildlife Management.

Outdoor Adventures can be taught in any school in North America!



Steps to get started...

- 1) Inform the school
- 2) Get course approved
- 3) Purchase curriculum
- 4) Get teachers trained

5) Change Student's Lives Forever! (Contact OTF for assistance on any of the steps above.)

Outdoor Adventures Education

Cabela's Outdoor Fund is proud to sponsor the greatest Outdoor Adventures education course in the country. In a joint effort with the Outdoors Tomorrow Foundation (OTF), Outdoor Adventures is now available to any secondary school in the North America. Outdoor Adventures is a regular in-school course that is taught as a Physical Education class, local school elective, or as an Ag. Science Wildlife Management course.

- Outdoor Adventures can also be in your school! Thanks to Cabela's Outdoor Fund, the OTF is providing a limited number of restricted funds to help schools incorporate an outdoor education class into their curriculum!
- Inform your teachers, coaches, principals, school board members and superintendents. Just imagine Hunter Education, Fishing, Archery, Boater Education, Survival Skills, Camping, Orienteering and Wildlife Conservation being taught as a P.E. class.
- Outdoor Adventure classes are offered in hundreds of schools across North America. Your students can enjoy the greatest P.E. class ever offered.

Your school can be next! Creating Adventures – One school at a time!

The mission of the OTF is to teach outdoor education and to promote and fund conservation of wildlife worldwide.



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Outdoor Adventures





Changing Student's Lives
Through

- Outdoor Skill Education
 - Wildlife Conservation
 - Getting Students
 Outdoors

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General Description of "Outdoor Adventures"

Outdoor Adventures is a fun and exciting co-ed physical education course, local elective, or Ag. Science Wildlife Management class. Students are taught life-long skills by using an integrated curriculum of science, math, writing, critical thinking skills, and computer technology. The focus is on outdoor activities including: Hunter Education, Fishing, Archery, Boater Education, Orienteering, Survival Skills, First Aid/CPR, Trip Planning, Tackle Crafts, Hiking, Backpacking, Camping, Outdoor Cooking, and Wildlife Conservation.

"The students are taught the outdoor traditions we so greatly value not just at a one day event but rather a full school year–180 days of Outdoor Adventures! It is truly an education for a lifetime."

Larry Weishuhn,

Mr. Whitetail







Rationale and Justification

The Outdoor Adventures curriculum is not your traditional PE course. Instead of teaching PE with basketballs and tennis rackets, we use rods and reels, and bows and arrows. The Outdoor Adventures curriculum is already being taught in hundreds of secondary schools that have reported many positive attributes associated with the class. School Principals report virtues such as improved self-esteem, improved attendance, less discipline issues and improved grades for students while enrolled in the course. Many students are not involved in extracurricular activities and the Outdoor Adventures program helps those students become engaged in the educational system.

"As a by-product of the course, we have started three different clubs that continue to grow in interest. The Archery, Competitive Shooting, and Fishing clubs have become extremely popular for students in our district."

Jill Stanford, Principal, Allen Lowery Freshman Center

There are no racial, physical, gender or socioeconomic boundaries and therefore all students enjoy an equal opportunity to participate and become engaged in extracurricular activities.



For Parents and School Administrators

Why Should ALL Students Take Outdoor Adventures? Research has clearly shown that:

- Students involved in extracurricular activities tend to engage in more appropriate behavior and perform better academically in school.
- Students who are actively engaged in the educational process have greater attendance and academic achievement.
- Students tend to stay away from drugs and other destructive behaviors when the parents are actively participating in activities with their child.
- Students engaged in outdoor activities:
 o Are healthier physically and mentally.
 - o Perform better in school.
 - o Have higher self-esteem.
 - o Have good self-discipline.
 - o Feel more capable and confident.
 - o Are good problem-solvers.
 - o Are more cooperative with others.
 - o Are more creative.
 - o Feel connected to nature.
 - o Are tomorrow's conservation leaders (Lifesbetteroutside.org)

The Facts About Outdoor Adventures

- The survey rating for each of the 10 overall units and Outdoor Adventures in general proved the program to be highly popular with 90% of the respondents.
- 92% of students responded that the Outdoor Adventures prepared them to hunt, fish, shoot, camp, or go boating on their own or with a family member.
- Over 90% learned about wildlife management, ethics, values and wilderness stewardship.

"The material covered in Outdoor Adventures cannot be found in any other class. It gives students a different view on the outdoors and teaches them how important the world around them really is," said a student of Arlington Martin High School.

Course Accreditation and Curriculum

The Outdoors Tomorrow Foundation's Outdoor Adventures curriculum order form is available under the education tab at www.GoOtf.com. Contact Scot McClure for details on purchasing the one-time fee for the curriculum at \$1000.00 per school.

Outdoor Adventures curriculum is aligned to the National Standards NPE K-12.1-7.

The curriculum includes:

- 1) Complete Scope and Sequence
- 2) Course Syllabus
- 3) Complete daily lesson plans for 36 weeks.
- 4) Many lessons incorporate technology, crosscurricular opportunities, math, science, writing, and standardized test applications.



Teacher Training

The Outdoor Adventures teacher training is provided by individual state's Departments of Natural Recourses.



Cabela's Outdoor Fund

Thanks to Cabela's Outdoor Fund and their interest to involve more youth in the outdoors, schools can apply for incentive funds through the OTF to help start Outdoor Adventures. Get Outdoor Adventures started at your secondary school today!