Field Trip Tips by Outdoor Ed

What to wear, what to wear!

All of our programs are held outdoors and students need to prepare accordingly. Being dressed for the weather is key to everyone's comfort, enthusiasm and ability to learn. For most of the year, we recommend hats, long pants, long sleeves and layered clothing.

Lunch

There are a number of areas in the park to eat a picnic-style lunch. Food and drinks are not available for purchase. Please consider the environment and make it a litterless lunch (see enclosed sheet for suggestions).

Medical Needs

Community Education staff have first aid training, and carry a cell phone and well-equipped first aid kit. Please bring along any medication your student(s) may need such as medication for allergies or bee stings. You may also wish to bring along hand sanitizer or wipes.

Washrooms

Please give students the opportunity to use the washroom before the bus leaves the school. Washrooms are available at Fanshawe CA but our programs often take us away from easy access to the facilities.

Insect Repellent

What has antlers and sucks blood? A moose-quito! Yikes! Good thing these aren't found at Fanshawe CA. Occasionally, however, following a rain there may be a mosquito hatch. When this happens, a moderate use of insect repellent will allow for a more comfortable experience. Remember to apply repellent outdoors and not on the bus!

Water

On warmer days and for active programs, students should bring their water bottles.

Footwear

For most of our programs, students should wear closed-toed shoes like running shoes (no sandals please). If we are visiting the pond or river, boots or older closed-toed shoes are recommended, with a change of footwear for the other portion of the field trip.

