Camp Overview

We are pleased to announce a new summer camp experience for high school students currently in grades 8 – 11. The focus of the camp is to encourage high school teachers and students to engage in authentic community service learning projects that address local environmental issues. Each of twenty participating school districts will send a team of one teacher and 4 to 6 students to the camp. During the camp the team will design a community service project to bring back to their school district and implement the following school year.

Students are invited to join us for a week of fun, excitement, outdoor education, and adventure for only $100. This registration fee includes room, board, and all activity costs.

As part of the camp, students will experience activities focused on leadership development, sustainability and outdoor recreation, including pontoon boat tours and kayaking at Moraine State Park, hiking at McConnell’s Mills State Park, and tours of the rare Eastern Prairie ecosystem at Jennings Environmental Education Center. During the evenings students will have the opportunity to engage in countless on-campus recreation activities.

Students will explore topics such as: sustainable food and agriculture, water and air quality, environmental ethics, climate change, and alternative energy systems.

For more information visit www.sru.edu/sustainability.

To sign up, please contact your high school teacher.

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Featuring activities at:
- Jennings Environmental Education Center
- McConnell’s Mills State Park
- Moraine State Park

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About SRU

Founded in 1889, Slippery Rock University is a member of Pennsylvania’s State System of Higher Education. The 660-acre campus is located less than one hour north of Pittsburgh, one hour south of Erie, and 45 minutes east of Youngstown, Ohio. Home to more than 8,500 students, SRU offers a public, coeducational, comprehensive educational experience that is fully accredited through the Middle State Commission on Higher Education and many discipline-specific accreditations.

SRU is proud to be consistently listed in the Sierra Club’s Top 100 Cool Schools list, the Princeton Review’s Guide to Green Colleges, and to be the first 4-year college in the state to be named a Green Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education.

We are also focused on meeting our sustainability goals set forth in our Climate Action Plan, which includes achieving carbon neutrality by the year 2037. Slippery Rock University is committed to practicing and teaching the importance of sustainability in every aspect of our campus community and learning environment.

Schedule of Activities

Throughout the five-day, four-night camp, students will take part in a variety of educational and recreational activities both on Slippery Rock’s campus and in numerous state parks in the area. Below are schedule highlights for the camp:

Tuesday, 6/20
- Check-in at residence hall
- Parent orientation
- Overview class

Wednesday, 6/21
- Macoskey Center Tour
- Leadership Development Activities
- Sustainable Features Campus Tour
- Community Project Planning/Mentoring Sessions

Thursday, 6/22
- Water and Air Quality Class
- Nautical Nature Pontoon Boat Tour
- Canoeing at Lake Arthur
- Habitat Class & Bluebird Box Project
- Community Project Planning/Mentoring Session

Friday, 6/23
- Geologic Hike/Forest Ecology Hike
- Acid Mine Waste Tour & Water Sample Testing/Eastern Prairie Tour
- Community Project Planning/Mentoring Session

Saturday, 6/24
- Community Project Poster Session with friends and family
- Lunch at Boozel Dining Hall
- Check out at Residence Hall

Lodging

All students will be staying in one of six on-campus Residence Halls for the duration of the camp. Potential room layouts include Double Studio and Double Suites, with restrooms located within each room. Our residence halls are safe and secure, with locked doors, ID access, video security systems, and friendly on-site Residence Life staff.

Dining

While attending the camp students will be dining on-campus through our main dining location, Boozel Dining Hall. All on-campus dining is provided through AVI Food Systems, America’s largest family owned and operated food service company. The food service is able to accommodate food allergy needs.

For more information

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