



Hello Students, Parents, and Guardians at North Trail High School!

North Trail High School has the opportunity to bring students to participate in two awesome programs hosted by the Canadian Rockies Outdoor Learning Centre this Spring 2025!

Students can earn 10 credits while having a blast in the mountains and learning new skills!

WHO: Students who are interested should enjoy spending time outdoors and be in very good standing in their other courses, as these are additional blended courses (some online pre-learning and assessment, and then the in-person program) outside of their courses at NTHS. Students should also be comfortable in outdoor settings.

WHAT: Both course programs are three-day two-overnight adventures... the Winter Travel 15/25 programs focus on skiing/snowboarding skills and the Water Experience 15 program focuses on canoeing and other ways of exploring on water. These are courses run by the Canmore/Banff district... Canadian Rockies Public Schools. The programs involve pre-learning through Google Classroom involving avalanche safety, sustainability, risk management, wilderness first aid, leadership, etc. Students stay at the Canadian Rockies Outdoor Learning Centre in their dorm/camp-style accommodations. Winter Travel involves one day of snowshoeing and then two days at Lake Louise Ski Resort and Water Experience involves exploring nearby lakes using canoes.

WHEN: Winter Travel 15/25 is March 31 - April 2, 2025 || Water Experience 15 is May 12 - 14, 2025

WHERE: Canadian Rockies Outdoor Learning Centre (Bow Valley, Alberta) and nearby wilderness areas.

WHY: These programs are fantastic opportunities for students to take part in land-based learning in our local Rocky Mountain wilderness areas. Students will have the opportunity to develop their skills, both academically and involving possible new life-long outdoor passions. The Canadian Rockies Public Schools district regularly works with CBE schools, and teachers who have taken students on their trips keenly share in how fantastic the programming is that students are privileged to take part in... we have taken part in three epic programs so far.

There are fees for these courses... and students can only take part in one of the courses this Spring.

Winter Travel 15 fees are \$300 || Winter Travel 25 fees are \$500 || Water Experience fees are \$295.

Fees include transportation to and from the Canadian Rockies Outdoor Learning Centre, accommodations, food, gear, and all other program costs. For Winter Travel 15, students will take part in ski or snowboard lessons at Lake Louise Ski Resort. For Winter Travel 25, students will explore backcountry skiing with certified guides at Lake Louise and will earn their Avalanche Skills Training Level 1 certification. For Water Experience 15, students will take part in canoeing adventures led by certified canoe instructors. Considering all that these programs include, the fees should be higher, but they are heavily subsidized by Alberta Education through work between Canadian Rockies Public Schools and the Government of Alberta. More at olc.crps.ca/programs

There will be a mandatory parent meeting on Thursday February 27 at 7:30 pm at NTHS.

Please email mprudolf@cbe.ab.ca to express interest and RSVP to the parent meeting!

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