



COLORADO RIVER ALLIANCE

**YOUTH EXPERIENCE STEWARDSHIP (YES)
PROGRAM GUIDE
2015-2016**

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Designed by Teachers, for Teachers

The Colorado River Alliance works with Austin-area teachers to provide students TEKS-aligned learning activities and exhibits that support modern STEM curriculum. We teach about the science, history, and importance of conserving the Texas Colorado River. Our state-of-the-art facilities engage students by integrating science, social studies, math, and language arts within an outdoor setting.

Grades 3-5 Youth Experience Stewardship Field Trips

In one school day, our TEKS-aligned field experience leads small student groups through four exciting, hands-on STEM stations. Classes of up to 60 students will:

- **Explore** geography and geology of the Colorado River
- **Identify** sources of drinking water in Texas
- **Discuss** watersheds and how to preserve them
- **Assess** the water cycle and the effects of pollution
- **Discover** water conservation habits
- **Record** science information in take home field journals

Grade	Science	Social Studies
3 rd	1B, 2A, 2F, 3C, 3D, 5B, 6A, 6C, 7B, 7C, 7D, 8B, 9A, 9C	1A, 2B, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 5A, 11A, 11C, 12B, 12C
4 th	1B, 2D, 3C, 3D, 5A, 5B, 7B, 7C, 8B, 9B	2E, 5A, 6A, 8C, 7A, 7B, 7C, 9A, 9B, 9C, 20B, 20C
5 th	1B, 3A, 3D, 5A, 5D, 7B, 7C, 8B, 9A, 9C	6A, 7B, 8B, 9A, 9B, 9C

“If teachers want a TEKS based, hands-on, fun filled learning experience, go!”

- Mitch Ingram, award-winning science and math teacher, Odom Elementary, AISD

“It was one of the best field trips I have ever taken a group of students on in my 15 years of teaching.”

- 4th grade teacher, Cowan Elementary, AISD



Questions?

Email programs@coloradoriver.org or learn more at www.coloradoriver.org!

FIELD TRIP REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete this form and return it to the Colorado River Alliance
by mail (P.O. Box 50029, Austin, TX 78763) or fax (512.473.3253).

Registration is now available ONLINE! The form and calendar of available dates are listed here:
tinyurl.com/YESredbud

CONTACT INFORMATION

CONTACT TEACHER NAME: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

CLASSROOM PHONE #: _____ TEACHER CELL PHONE #: _____

SCHOOL NAME: _____ SCHOOL FAX #: _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS (including zip code): _____

PROGRAM INFORMATION

GRADE LEVELS (circle one): 3rd 4th 5th 6th

PROGRAM: YES: Youth Experience Stewardship (Grades 3-5)

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: _____ NUMBER OF ADULTS: _____

DATE/S FOR FIELD TRIP (Max 60 students per field trip. Larger groups must register for multiple dates):

1st Choice: ____ / ____ / ____ 2nd Choice: ____ / ____ / ____ 3rd Choice: ____ / ____ / ____

FIELD TRIP TIME (circle one): 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Please describe any special needs: _____

I have read and understand the program policies listed on the back page of this document.

Teacher's Signature

Date

Questions? Email programs@coloradoriver.org or call 512.498.1587

Scheduling Information for Redbud Center Educational Programs

Program Details

Programs will run from September 22, 2015 to May 26, 2016.

- Programs are provided free of charge.
- Programs last four hours.
- Programs are held Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm or from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.
- A 30 minute picnic-style lunchtime is built into the day.
- Please plan for students to provide their own lunch.
- For more information about programs, please email programs@coloradoriver.org or call (512) 498-1587.

Registration Procedures

1. Complete the attached registration form OR **go paper-free and register online!**

Visit tinyurl.com/YESredbud

All instructions are listed there.

2. Submit registration form via mail or fax.

Mail: [Colorado River Alliance](mailto:programs@coloradoriver.org)
Attn: Program Coordinator
P.O. Box 50029
Austin, TX 78763

Fax: (512) 473-3253, Attn: Program Coordinator

3. Dates and times are not reserved until you have been contacted by the Colorado River Alliance and a Registration Confirmation Letter and teacher pre-packet has been mailed to you.

4. For more information, please contact Colorado River Alliance's program coordinator at (512) 498-1587 or programs@coloradoriver.org.

Guidelines

- Maximum group size for 1 program is 60 students. Larger groups must register for multiple days.
- Programs start and end at the scheduled time. Please plan to arrive early. If you arrive late, the program must still end at the scheduled time.
- Students should be split into 4 groups of roughly 15 prior to the day of the field trip.
- A reminder email will be sent out the Friday before your field trip with tips for the day of.
- We require an adult to child ratio of 1 to 15 for all school groups.
- Chaperones are responsible for the behavior of their group. Chaperones must remain with their groups throughout the field trip.
- Please notify us of cancellation at least one week prior to the scheduled date.
- Due to the nature of our programs and the Redbud Center facilities, inclement weather requires us to cancel programs. If a program is canceled, we will work to reschedule.
- Programs are provided in English. If you need translation from English, please bring an interpreter with you.

