# Homeschool Outdoor School Camps in Oregon

Note: The following information is current as of July 2016. For future years, please contact the camp directors for the most recent information.

#### **4-H Outdoor School**

CANCELLED for 2016 – check back in future for upcoming 4-H Outdoor School camp

Provided by the OSU Extension Service of Polk County & Polk Christian Home Educators, this Outdoor School is open to *all* homeschooled youth currently in grades 5-8. Membership in 4-H is not required. (Counselors are homeschooled students in their upper high school years and college.) The program is designed to give homeschooled youth hands-on outdoor learning experiences with natural science, pond studies, forestry, compass/GPS, archery, aquatic insects, digital photography, animal

habitat, survival skills, and more! Free time activities may include canoes, swimming, swings, crafts, archery, and more. Camp participants will stay in cottages or cabins. This beautiful wooded location is just 6 miles from downtown Salem.

http://oregon4hcenter.org/ Cost for the overnight camp (November 14-16, 2016) is \$55 per youth with early bird registration \$45 if registered by August 28<sup>th</sup>. Scholarships may be available; call for more information.

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Program Director: Katie Maine

**Information and Registration** available online at: <a href="http://extension.oregonstate.edu/polk/camp">http://extension.oregonstate.edu/polk/camp</a>

## Outdoor School @ Twin Rocks Friends Camp



Outdoor School at Twin Rocks Friends Camp offers homeschooled students (grades K-12<sup>th</sup>) and their families opportunities to venture into nature through a mix of interactive lessons and outdoor experiences. Throughout each week, there will be opportunities to go boating and hiking, practice archery, sing silly songs, play on the beach, worship together, and make new friends. These unique camp programs offer experiences for the entire family to enjoy, with engaging classes for students that incorporate parent involvement, as well as break-out sessions just for parents and just for kids.

October 3-7, 2016 (Week 1): Science, Inquiry, and Experimentation: Join us for a week focused on invention, inquiry, and experimentation. Learn how to identify, design, and conduct good science experiments and draw conclusions from your results.

October 17-21, 2016 (Week 2): Missions and Exploration: Study the creativity of God and beauty of His creation from around the world. Meet missionaries who have lived in other countries, and learn about different cultures, foods, and exotic ecosystems and the animals that call them home.

#### Cost for the overnight camp:

First Student (5-18 years): \$340 (add \$30 if registered or paid after Sept. 1 for week 1 or after Sept. 15 for week 2.)

Additional Students/Siblings (5-18 years): \$211 each; Parents and Children (3-4 years): \$75; Infants (0-2): Free

Maximum Cost per Immediate Family (Parents and Children younger than 19 years): \$895 (add \$30 if registered or paid after Sept.

1 for week 1 or after Sept. 15 for week 2.)

Adult Children (19+ Years) and Other Adults (Ex: Aunts, Uncles, Grandparents) staying with your family: \$211 each (They are in addition of the family Maximum, or consider having them apply to help out during the week as volunteers. Contact outdoorschool@twinrocks.org for more information about this option.)

For more information and to register, go to www.goo.gl/NeXcYl

Join their mailing list for a \$20 coupon: <a href="http://homeschooling.odspartnership.org/special-offers.html">http://homeschooling.odspartnership.org/special-offers.html</a>

## **Homeschool Outdoor School Science Camp**

Designed for ages 9-16 who have been homeschooled during this school year, "Enjoying Creation in the Great Outdoors" is the theme of this homeschool outdoor science camp! Held at the Oregon 4-H Conference Center just outside of Salem, the special speaker this year will be Dr. Thomas Kindell. His presentations are very engaging, and the kids will love his photos and teaching on subjects of nature and dinosaurs. He will leave your children with strong reasons to believe the Bible's account of creation and an awesome appreciation of God's creation. Dr. Thomas Kindell was once an ardent believer in the "fact" of evolution. However, through his exposure to the scientific case for creation, he became a zealous creationist. Dr. Kindell is the founder and president of Reasons for Faith Ministries, Inc., a non-profit ministry dedicated to equipping Christian believers to "give every man an answer" for their Biblical faith. He is an ordained minister with Calvary Chapel. For over 35 years, he has engaged in a traveling teaching ministry lecturing on Biblical apologetics and the scientific case for creation. He has also successfully debated the scientific case for creation against notable evolutionists on high school and college campuses, radio, and television. Dr. Kindell is a frequent guest on the radio series, "Science, Scripture, & Salvation" which is produced by the Institute for Creation Research.

We follow an Outdoor School format with morning hands-on learning sessions, afternoon activities such as canoeing, swimming, soccer, archery, and more, and then evening keynote presentations that will help the kids defend the biblical account of creation and the flood. We cap off each day with homegrown entertainment around the campfire and a time of worship. The kids have fun spending the week with the new friends they meet at camp.

Intellectual struggles are one of the many reasons why kids leave the church. They hear evolutionary teaching everywhere. This nonsense is in direct opposition to the Bible's teachings on origins and science itself. Kids lose confidence in the Word of God. This has been the goal of the 'architects' of evolution since the beginning. We must share with them good answers or, by default, Satan wins this argument and, ultimately, their hearts.

Make memories with your kids! Parents are *strongly* encouraged (but are not required) to attend as cabin counselors or teachers. We are always in need of dads.

Dates: June 6-10, 2017

Cost: \$175 for campers; \$125 for counselors

Hold your place with a \$50 deposit by May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 (refundable until 2 weeks before camp begins).

Send completed forms by email or to 204 SW Daniels Street, McMinnville, Oregon 97128.

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