

## EDUCATIONAL FEE WAIVER INSTRUCTIONS FOR GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK

The following information has been taken directly from National Park Service Regulations (NPS-22). This is the guideline to be followed in granting education fee waivers. Bona fide educational or scientific institutions may qualify if the following conditions are met. Please Read Carefully. Your Application package must contain all of the following.

- 1. Current official documentation of recognition of affiliation as an educational institution by a Federal, State or local government entity, or other evidence attesting to educational status is attached (e.g. ACCREDITATION LETTER or an EDUCATIONAL TAX EXEMPT LETTER). It is insufficient to merely state or imply this on official letterhead. Your fee waiver **CANNOT** be processed without one of these documents submitted with your application.**
2. There must be a direct relationship between the visit purpose and the use of the Park. The visit must be to study some aspect/resource specific to the Grand Canyon. A general statement to the effect that the visit is for “educational purposes” is insufficient by itself. An explanation of what the educational purpose entails and how is related to Park resources is required. (Course outlines, lesson plans, or a copy of the curriculum meet this requirement.)
3. The applicant is providing educational credit hours based on a specific course of instruction. The visit shall not be primarily for recreation purposes. (Generally, camping is considered a recreational activity). This requirement can be met by stating the course number, description and/or a copy of the catalog description for college courses or an outline of student work required for K-12. Number of Chaperones allowed will be: 20 College students - 1 Chaperone, 12 High School students – 1 Chaperone, 5 Elementary students – 1 Chaperone

**Applications must be received in the Fee Management Office 4-6 weeks in advance of the anticipated visit. REFUNDS WILL NOT BE GRANTED. FEE WAIVERS WILL NOT BE GIVEN AT THE ENTRANCE STATIONS. Fees will be waived only if each vehicle has a copy of the fee waiver.**

When the visit is recreational, you enter as an “**organized- non-commercial**” group (i.e. scouts, church groups, rotary clubs, school groups without a fee waiver, etc.) The following fees are then in effect:

- Children 15 years of age and younger do not pay an entrance fee.
- Pass holders of the Senior Pass, Access Pass, ATB- America the Beautiful- Annual Pass and Grand Canyon National Park Annual Pass and their passengers in a private, non-commercial vehicle do not pay an additional fee.
- All other individuals 16 years of age and older are charged an \$8.00 per person entrance fee.

Fee waivers do not include camping fees.

Fee waivers are not granted solely or partially on distance to their facilities and/or economic justification.

Organizations that are generally considered service, civic or fraternal, e.g. Scouting, Rotary, Elks and so forth do NOT qualify for the education fee waiver, unless they meet the above applicable criteria.

Submit this form by Fax: 928-638-7849 - or by mail to:

Fee Management Office, P.O. Box 129, Grand Canyon, Arizona, 86023 (Telephone: 928-638-7850)

Contact us by e-mail : [GRCA\\_Educational\\_Fee\\_Waiver@nps.gov](mailto:GRCA_Educational_Fee_Waiver@nps.gov)

Camping Information:

North Rim Campground and Mather Campground (South rim) reservations: 1-800-444-6777 or [recreation.gov](http://recreation.gov)

Desert View Campground on the South Rim, East Entrance: First come, first served

Ten X, U.S. Forest Service, Hwy 64: 928-638-2443 or 1-800-444-6777 (May – September only)

