

VOYAGEURS NATIONAL PARK



TRAVEL GRANTS

Now available for the 2011-2012 school year

Bring the National Parks to life for your students with a field trip to Voyageurs National Park.

- Ojibwe lifestyles
- Orienteering
- Geology rocks!
- Beaver ecology
- Trees of VNP
- Loons and eagles
- Snowshoeing
- Life as a voyageur



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Voyageurs National Park

Located in the lake-country of northeastern Minnesota bordering Canada, the park is a complex system of waterways, including the "voyageur highway" canoed by 18th-century fur traders. Wildlife thrives here in the boreal-hardwood forest transition zone, and glacier-scoured landscape.

Travel Grants

K-6th grade youth groups, including public schools, private schools, homeschoolers, scout troops, and youth outdoor leadership programs can apply for a travel grant to cover 50% or more of transportation costs for students to participate in one of the free field classes offered through the Environmental Education program at Voyageurs National Park.

Grants are made possible by
Donald Weesner Foundation and Voyageurs National Park Association

For Application & Information: Visit www.nps.gov/VOYA/forteachers/
or contact Tawnya Schoewe: (218) 283-6670

Voyageurs National Park Environmental Education Program 2011/2012 Travel Grant Application

Voyageurs National Park Environmental Education program will award Travel Grants each school year. Travel Grants will be awarded based on financial need and on a first-come, first-served basis until funds have been depleted for the year's grant cycle. 2011/2012 funds have been made possible through a generous donation by the Donald Weesner Foundation with the help of Voyageurs National Park Association.

In order to be eligible for a grant, schools/groups must be scheduled for one of our curriculum-based programs. Travel Grants are to help cover transportation costs only.

A. APPLICANT INFORMATION		
NAME OF SCHOOL/GROUP:	NAME OF TEACHER/CONTACT PERSON:	
SCHOOL/GROUP ADDRESS:	HOME/CELL PHONE:	
SCHOOL/GROUP PHONE:	SCHOOL/GROUP FAX:	
Date your class is scheduled to attend an EE Program at Voyageurs National Park (<i>We must receive this application at least two weeks prior to field trip</i>):		Percent of students on the reduced or free lunch program:
Have you or your school/group received a Travel Grant from VNP before? What year?	Please specify the name or organization that the check should be written to:	
TYPE OF SCHOOL/GROUP (circle): Public Private YMCA Youth Outdoor Leadership Home School Other		
How many miles is it from your school to Voyageurs?	TYPE OF TRANSPORTATION: (circle one or more) Charter bus School bus Van Other:	
B. BUDGET		
Estimated cost for transportation:	Statement of need:	
C. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE		
SIGNATURE & TITLE OF APPLICANT:		DATE:

<i>For Official Use Only</i>	Date Received:	Approved _____	Disapproved _____
Reviewed by:	Date:	Justification:	
		Participant Total:	

Questions may be addressed to Tawnya Schoewe at 218-283-6670. Please submit your application either by fax at (218) 285-7407 or mail to:

Environmental Education Programs
Voyageurs National Park
360 Highway 11 East
International Falls, MN 56649

Voyageurs National Park Environmental Education Program 2011/2012 Travel Grant Monetary Reward Guidelines

Guidelines

- Groups that may be eligible for a travel grant are:
 - Home Schools
 - Public Schools
 - Private Schools
 - Youth YMCA
 - Scout Groups
 - Youth Outdoor Leadership Programs

- Applicants must have a scheduled environmental education program in order to qualify for the travel grant.

- Funding for travel grants may cover 50% of the transportation costs up to a ceiling of \$500. A limited number of full grants are available.

- Travel grants are to cover transportation costs only.

- The money is awarded after the scheduled program.

- One group can apply for more than one travel grant as long as it is for two different classes/buses. It is often handled on a case by case basis. Multiple grants per group may get a reduced grant rate to allow for more groups to participate in the grant program.