



FOOTHILL HORIZONS

EARLY PLANNING FOR TEACHERS

Coordinating your adventure at Foothill Horizons Outdoor School, starts at the beginning of the year. This checklist will give you some ideas on how to engage your students and their families early.

- Review reservation sent via email to your principal
 - ✓ **notify Jessica Hewitt with any changes or concerns.**
- Attend **Foothill Teacher** sessions—free!
Aug or Sept. date TBA @ SCOE, 1100 St. Modesto
CA <http://www.foothillhorizons.com/teachers.html>
- Parent Communication Materials
 - ✓ Flyer: Share Parent Program Description:
<http://www.foothillhorizons.com/parents.html>
 - ✓ Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WReNg5vtaBQ>
 - ✓ Hispanic Families—share the Hispanic youtube video during ELAC meetings or back to school night https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZRz_cNg4AyY
- Plan for students with **IEPs, 504s, Behavior Management Plans, and serious health concerns**
 - ✓ See Planning for Students with Accommodations at
<http://www.foothillhorizons.com/teachers%20-%20Before%20You%20Arrive.html>
- Student materials—share on google classroom, Edmodo...
 - ✓ Share **Foothill videos** with students <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=adjBkSu0ZIM>
 - ✓ slideshow <http://www.foothillhorizons.com/teachers.html>
- Call it Outdoor School; not “camp”** – Students will be following school rules. They will not be in a tent, nor will they be missing school while they are here. Some families don’t think camp is worth their time or money; however students will be learning!
- Outdoor Ed is part of school!**. Talk as if children are going, not as if it is an option. Example: “Our whole class is going...” compare to: “you have the opportunity to go”

Start the excitement

- Open House
- Back to School Night
- Parent Teacher Conferences

At these events show pictures, videos, answer questions, share/collect forms.
Many schools host a parent night for the overnight experience.

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