

## **United States Department of the Interior**

## NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Grand Canyon National Park P.O. Box 129 Grand Canyon, Arizona 86023-0129

## Invite a ranger to visit your classroom!

How would you like to have a ranger from Grand Canyon National Park visit your classroom? Through hands-on activities, the ranger will conduct curriculum-based programs <u>free of charge</u> geared toward your learning objectives, or toward your Grand Canyon field trip program if you have one scheduled.

We offer in-class programs for individual classes, limited to 35 students per 1 hour time slot. Program topics are:

- Geology
- Ecology
- Human history
- Archeology
- National Parks (for this, the ranger will lead the "Build-a-National Park" activity in which students use art supplies to construct a pretend national park. \*This program requires 1½ hours.)

We can also provide a one-hour-long school assembly program for up to 300 students. We have two different assembly programs available:

- "National Treasures in Your Backyard" focuses on the role of national parks, with an emphasis on national park sites in Arizona, including Grand Canyon.
- "Endangered Species" Grand Canyon is home to many rare plants and animals. This program is an introduction to endangered species and what parks are doing to help them survive.

(The ranger will need 30 minutes to set up for an assembly.)

## TO SCHEDULE A VISIT:

Please complete and fax or mail the "Ranger Visit to Classroom Registration Form", **between September 3, 2008 and December 5, 2008,** to the address or fax number on the form.

The schedule for the 2008-09 school year is as follows:

- Flagstaff/Sedona and vicinity: Sept. 15 26, 2008 (for Flagstaff Festival of Science).
  Jan. 5 9, 2009.
- Tucson/Southeastern AZ: Jan. 12 16, 2009.
- Hopi/Navajo Nation/Eastern AZ: Jan. 20 23, 2009 (No programs MLK Day 1/19/09)
- Phoenix and vicinity: Jan. 26 Feb. 6, 2009.
- Kingman/Las Vegas and vicinity: Feb. 9 13, 2009.
- Arizona Strip/Southern Utah and vicinity: Feb. 9 13, 2009.
- Prescott and vicinity: Feb. 17 20, 2009 (No programs Presidents' Day 2/16/09).
- All other areas please call to schedule a date.

Please provide us with as many details as possible to facilitate easier scheduling:

- 1. Coordinate your request with other teachers who may be interested in a ranger visit (*If only one class is interested in a ranger visit be sure to include details about your school day and whether morning or afternoon is preferred*).
- 2. Provide three date choices; include specific dates or days of the week that will work with your schedule (the more flexibility you have the better).
- 3. Choose your topic.
- 4. Propose a **specific time schedule**, allowing 1 hour per classroom visit, and 1½ hours per assembly.
- 5. Return form to the Environmental Education office (see information at bottom of registration form).

If you need additional information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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