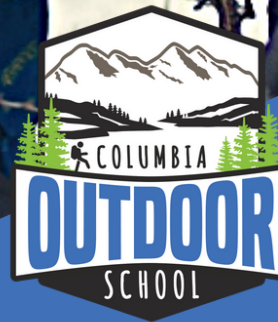


COLUMBIA OUTDOOR SCHOOL



**LEADERS
IN OUTDOOR
EDUCATION**





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SUSTAINABILITY • LEARNING • LEADERSHIP



WHAT WE CAN DO FOR YOUR SCHOOL

Columbia Outdoor School is a non-profit registered charity that owns and operates Blue Lake Camp, an outdoor education centre located in the Columbia Basin of British Columbia.

For more than 40 years, Columbia Outdoor School has been working with schools to provide custom designed programs to help teachers achieve their classroom goals.

Camp creates a sense of belonging, self-worth, and accomplishment, and helps students bring those positive impacts and learning back to their classroom and to their everyday lives. Our custom experiential learning programs create deep and meaningful connections between place, participant experience and curriculum.

TEACHING STYLES

Columbia Outdoor School offers curriculum based, outdoor and education. We inspire students to be curious about their connections to nature and place. Using inquiry based learning methods, students will leave camp with the desire to learn more and feel connected to the natural world around them.

We believe that some of the best learning happens outside the classroom. Our program themes are focused on environmental and outdoor education, recreation skill development, and leadership. Each program is designed to meet curriculum needs and invite optimum levels of participation and challenge. We accomplish this through fun, place based and collaborative learning experiences in the outdoors!





OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAM THEMES



COMMUNITY BUILDING

Students will participate in team building challenges and community building initiatives. These programs are designed to facilitate communication, collaboration, and leadership amongst groups while challenging decision making and critical thinking skills. These exciting challenge by choice activities encourage participants to develop trust and teamwork with their peers, while challenging themselves in ways they never have before.

The Community building package includes teambuilding initiatives, guided reflection and debriefing.

REC 4 LIFE

Columbia Outdoor School Staff will provide a safe and controlled environment to learn new recreational skills on land and water. The recreation programs invite individual levels of challenge to the participants. The goal of this program is that students will leave with the confidence and passion to participate in outdoor recreation for life.





OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAM THEMES



SURVIVAL

Students will understand the critical thinking that needs to take place in a survival situation. Students will learn how to responsibly use natural materials in “stick-ey” situations. Students will gain an appreciation for the wild and leave with knowledge in how to best prepare and act in unexpected situations.

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

Students will explore their local ecosystem and will cultivate a deeper connection with the natural world through fun, meaningful, and collaborative learning experiences. Students will gain a greater understanding of the local forest ecology and the crucial relationships that take place between the living and non-living components of the ecosystem.

THE AMAZING STEM RACE

Since the beginning of time, humankind has been in a battle of man vs. machine. Students will embark on a race around Blue Lake Camp completing STEM challenges along the way. This epic race requires innovation, problem-solving, and critical thinking skills (and a healthy amount of competition).





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CUSTOMIZATION

Columbia Outdoor School Staff will work with you to create a customized program for any grade level based on the themes and goals chosen by the teacher. The Camp Director will organize a call with the Lead Teacher to assess the outcomes they would like for their students. From there, we will develop a custom experience, just for your group!

INCLUSION

At Columbia Outdoor school, we believe it's important for every child to be able to dip their paddle in and push forward, experience seeing the stars in the night sky like never before, and have a camp experience that they will remember for a lifetime. Our Inclusion Program has been designed to offer children with physical and/ or developmental disabilities an opportunity to participate in all of our programs (yes, even the ropes course!). In partnership with the booking teacher, our team will help to adapt the lessons to meet everyone's needs.

ACCESSIBILITY

The Salmon Lodge is fully wheelchair accessible and can be added on to your school booking for just \$100 per night. Alternatively the Aspen cabin is the most wheelchair friendly option.





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