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Outdoor Days

Fairbanks Fish & Wildlife Field Office

Fairbanks Outdoor Days is a three-day outdoor education program for Fairbanks Northstar Borough School District 6th graders annually. Outdoor Days involves students in hands-on science activities that present natural resource management concepts in an outdoor setting. This program has been a spring tradition for local sixth graders since 1991, and is annually rated as one of the most valuable field trip experiences for students in the District.



The Alaska Fire Service Smoke Jumpers drop into Outdoor Days weather permitting..



Learning about archeology first-hand.

Any 6th grade student (public, private, and home school) in the Fairbanks Northstar Borough can attend Outdoor Days. Program dates vary from year to year. The application period usually opens in March. Contact Laurel Devaney if your school would like to attend.

Small groups of students, accompanied by a teacher or parent volunteer, spend the day rotating through five stations offering hands-on activities about Interior Alaska's Ecosystems. Station topics include Wildlife, Aquatic Ecosystems/Fish, Earth Science, Human Relationships with Their Environment, Forests, and Gold Panning. These activities are presented by instructors who work in those fields.



Coming face to face with aquatic insects



Exploring the Boreal forest ecosystem

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