Riverdale High Field Studies Guide 26/27



Thematic Experiences

- Service Learning
- Community Building
- Creative Expression
- Outdoor Adventure
- Career/Technical Skills
- Physical Activity
- Hobbies/Lifelong Learning
- International Mindedness
- Civic Engagement

Key Information

Field Studies Week
March 15th - 19th

Sign Ups Open: Nov 6th
Sign Ups Close: Nov 28th

Placements Announced Before Winter Break

Recommended Donation
$300 - $500

Freshman Work and Play







Service Learning

Community Building

Take part in a variety of service opportunities throughout the Portland region, and explore team-building exercises to promote class unity and bonding. Students gain service experience at multiple local service groups like Oregon Food Bank, Sunshine Division, Hoyt Arboretum, Friends of Tryon Creek, Free Geek, and others.

This is a great opportunity for students to continue to grow together as a class, practice their collaborative and social-emotional skills, and learn more about the inner workings of their city. The hands-on service that students experience this week will also fulfill their service hours for the year, helping them meet an important graduation requirement.

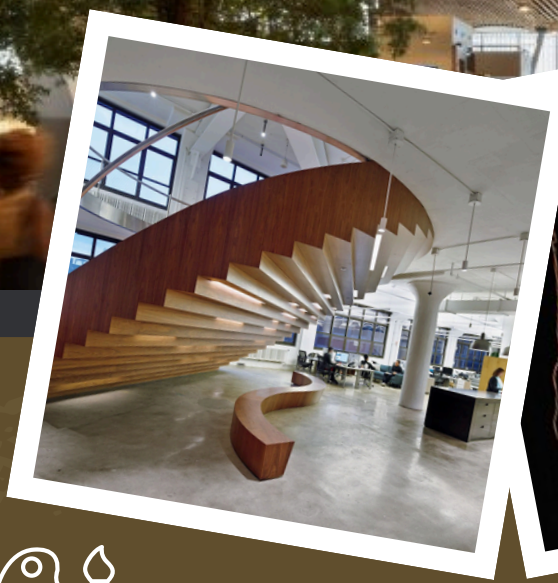
Grades
9th

Field Study Format
Day trips

Student Limit
Entire 9th grade

Recommended Donation: $300

Design Portland







Creative Expression

Career/Technical Skills

Exploring Portland's design scene! Meet with an art director from the world famous Wieden and Kennedy design firm, visit design and printmaking studios and experience contemporary design softwares as well as classic design processes like letterpress and screen printing. Students will explore downtown by visiting the Portland Art Museum, local bookstores and getting a taste of the vibrant food cart scene.

Students will expand their appreciation of graphic design and build related skills throughout the week. This experience will give them insight into careers in the field and artistic expression that feed them throughout their lives.

Grades
10th- 12th

Field Study Format
Day trips

Student Limit
12 spaces

Recommended Donation: $350

Golf Oregon







Physical Activity

Hobbies/Lifelong Learning

Golf Oregon is an in-town experience that teaches the game of golf while exploring various courses within driving distance of the school. Students will visit different golf venues that include full golf courses, executive courses, golf simulators, driving ranges, and miniature golf courses throughout the week to experience all types of various and venues of the game of golf.

Golf Oregon offers an in-depth exploration of a life-long physical activity. Golf Oregon combines physical activity and social connection with peers and adults in a supportive environment.

Grades
10th - 12th

Field Study Format
Day trips

Student Limit
22 spaces

Recommended Donation: $350

Rocks, Reels, and Ridges







Outdoor Adventure

Physical Activity

Spend the week tackling some of the best outdoor spots in the Pacific Northwest through climbing, hiking, and time on the water. Learn bouldering and top-rope belay techniques at Portland Rock Gym, to get certified and ready for a guided outdoor climbing day on Mt. Hood. Between climbing sessions, we'll hike two classic trails in the Columbia River Gorge and head to the riverfront for slacklining and fishing.

Step out of your comfort zone, build confidence in the outdoors, and bond with your classmates. No prior climbing or fishing experience is necessary; just need a willingness to take on new challenges and spend full, active days outside.

Grades
10th - 12th

Field Study Format
Day trips

Student Limit
16 spaces

Recommended Donation: $350

STEM Explorations







Career/Technical Skills

Creative Expression

Visit research facilities, businesses and college campuses to engage with professionals currently working in STEM fields (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics). Students will gain further knowledge about STEM careers and learn how to plan and personalize their educational pathway.

The week includes hands-on experiences at the Oregon National Primate Research Center, iFLY, Hatfield Marine Science Center, Oregon Coast Aquarium, the Oregon State University campus, Firehouse Glass Studio (learning about the science and art of glass blowing) and an afternoon doing forensic science in the Riverdale science lab.

Grades
10th - 12th

Field Study Format
Day trips

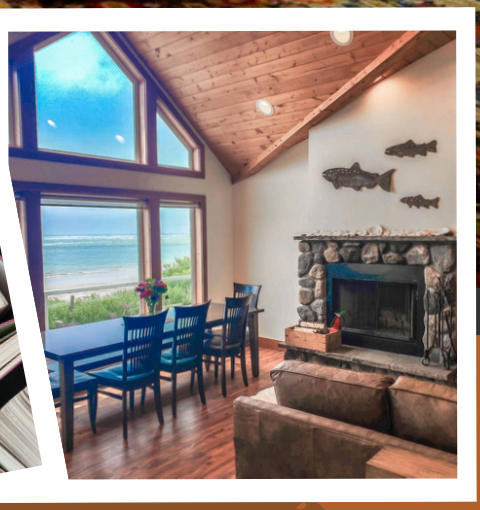
Student Limit
22 spaces

Recommended Donation: $350

Riverdale Readers & Writers Retreat







Career/Technical Skills Hobbies/Lifelong Learning

Engage with and pursue literary interests in Portland and beyond. Participants will engage with Portland's literary community, read and write in new environments, and get a taste of what it's like to live a "life of letters".

Visit Portland's diverse bookshops, find inspiration at the Portland Art Museum, and spend time reading and writing in a cozy Portland cafe. We'll spend two nights at a reading and writing retreat on the Oregon coast. Make meals together, talk about books, and share writing with one another. We'll have time to bond, but each day will also have extended periods of sustained silent reading and writing.

Grades
10th - 12th

Field Study Format
Day trips w/ two overnights at the coast

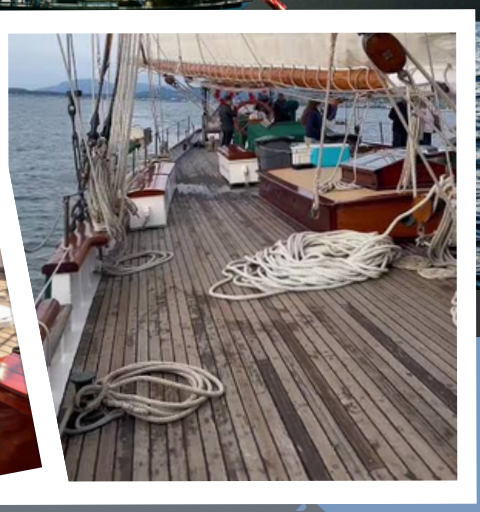
Student Limit
12 spaces

Recommended Donation: $400

Zodiac Sailing







Outdoor Adventure

Career/Technical Skills

Sail around the San Juan Islands aboard the Zodiac, a 160 ft two-masted wooden schooner originally launched in 1924. Students join the crew working together to raise the ship's sails each day, and are expected to maneuver their sails under the direction of the crew. Time off the vessel will be spent in the San Juan Islands hiking and exploring marine and wildlife, incorporating a biology, exploration, and navigation component.

Students will learn how to work cooperatively with their peers, gain understanding of how wind-powered sailboats function, learn to be comfortable being uncomfortable, and embrace the outdoors. This trip is not ideal for those who experience motion/sea sickness.

Grades
10th - 12th

Field Study Format
Sunday departure w/ overnights aboard the boat

Student Limit
24 spaces

Recommended Donation: $500

Summer Lake







Outdoor Adventure

Community Building

Spend the week in and around Paisley, Oregon, by exploring the unique landscapes of south central Oregon and considering an essential question centered around the urban-rural nature of our state.

The Summer Lake field studies experience complements what all seniors learn over the course of their fall trimester in Geology. In addition to exploring the physical landscape of central Oregon, students also engage in a service project with Paisley High School students at the Summer Lake Wildlife Area, located just outside of Paisley, Oregon.

Grades
12th

Field Study Format
Multiple overnights

Student Limit
24 spaces

Recommended Donation: $500

Riverdale High School

Vision

Students learn to use their minds well, engage creatively and act compassionately.

Mission

Riverdale develops inquisitive, imaginative and eager learners. Our students demonstrate academic mastery through exhibition to become effective communicators and responsible leaders.

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