

Saskatchewan Landing Provincial Park

2022 Education Programs

Guided school programs are offered in the spring and fall at Saskatchewan Landing Provincial Park and are a great opportunity to immerse students in nature while investigating and applying learning objectives. Sask Parks' guided school programming connects the Saskatchewan Curriculum to nature-based learning.



Booking:

Bookings are accepted starting on Tuesday, January 4, on a first-come, first-served basis. Please complete the attached form and return by email to outdoorclassroom@gov.sk.ca.

Cost:

School groups are no longer required to pay a program fee. A vehicle entry permit is required upon entry to the park for \$10/vehicle (buses and chaperone vehicles included). Permits are available for purchase from the entry gate and/or park office.

Program Dates:

Monday to Friday, May 16 to June 24, 2022. Fall programs are available September 6 to early October, weather and park conditions permitting. Winter programs are available upon request.

Park Quick Facts:

- Located 30 minutes (52 km) N of Swift Current off Highway 4.
- Large picnic area serves as an ideal lunch location at Cottonwood beach.

In the Area:

- City of Swift Current
- 18 hole championship golf course available at the park entrance
- Miniature golf available at the marina
- Park store with essentials

Programs

Most programs can be adapted for any grade level; however, suggested grades are included.

Aquatic Programs

Lake Study (Grade K-11)

Students will explore Saskatchewan Landing's aquatic habitats. Using dipping nets, students will attempt to collect living plants and invertebrate near the shoreline of the lake and identify the organisms found using hand lenses and biological keys. Students at a Grade 7 level or higher will also use microscopes to examine the organisms closer and perform a number of water quality tests including pH, dissolved oxygen, phosphate, nitrate, and turbidity and determine the health of the lake using both qualitative and quantitative assessments.

Details cont'd

Location: Goodwin House

Duration: 1 hour

Suggested Curriculum: LTK, NSK, LT1, SE1, DS1, AN2, AW2, PL3, ES3, HC4, RW5, DL6, IE7, WS8, SCI10, ES20

Cultural Programs

Passage Through Time (Pre K-4)

Step back in time with your class and experience the cultural history of Saskatchewan Landing come to life through engaging hands on activities. Uncover the importance of Goodwin House and this region of the South Saskatchewan river throughout history.



Details cont'd

Location: Goodwin House

Duration: 1 hour

Suggested Curriculum: CRK, CCK, PEK, LTK, DRK, RWK, CR1, CC1, PE1, LT1, DS1, DR1, PE2, AN2, DR2, PE3, DR3, CR4, PE4, HC4, DR4, RW4, PE5, IN5, DR5, PA5, DR6.

Guided Hikes

Rocks in the Valley Hike (Grade 4-12)

On this 2.7 km hike, students will learn how glaciers shaped the geography and environment of the plains.

Location: Prairie Vista Trailhead

Duration: 2 hours

Suggested Curriculum: PE4, RM4, PE5, PE6, PE7, EC7, PE8, WS8, PE9, PE10, ES30

Prairie Vista Hike (Grade K-12)

Hiking a 2.7 km loop, students experience unique environmental features of Saskatchewan Landing, including a prairie coulee and mixed grass prairie ecosystems. Students will also understand the park's geological significance and the role of glaciers and ice sheets in shaping this region of the South Saskatchewan river.

Location: Prairie Vista Trailhead

Duration: 2 hours

Suggested Curriculum: CPK, CRK, USCK, CR1, CC1, PE1, LT1, SE1, PE2, AN2, PE3, PL3, ES3, PE4, HC4, PE5, IE5, PE6, DL6, PE7, IE7, EC7, PE8, PE9, PE10, SCH10, SCI10, ES20

Details cont'd

Rings, Ruts and Remnants Hike (Grade 4-12)

Students uncover the stories of First Nations, Métis, land surveyors, settlers and ranchers; whose footsteps they follow on this approximately 2.7 km hike. Passing remnants of Saskatchewan Landing's history, students will consider how land changes through human intervention.

Location: Rings, Ruts and Remnants Trailhead

Duration: 2 hours

Suggested Curriculum: PE4, IN4, DR4, RW4, PE5, IN5, DR5, PE6, DR6, PE7, DR7, PE8, IN8, DR8, PE9

Skill Development Programs

Geocaching Adventure (Grade 4-12)

Learn how to operate a Global Positioning System (GPS) through a worldwide treasure hunt known as Geocaching! Students will use GPS's to find several caches hidden throughout the park. Also available as a self-use activity for school groups with supplies and instructions.

Location: Goodwin House

Duration: 1 hour

Suggested Curriculum: PE4, PE5, PE6, PE7, PE8, PE9, PE10, PE20, PE30

Details cont'd

Overnight Survival (Grade 7-12)

Wrap up or kick off the school year with a multi-day survival challenge. Bring your class out to Saskatchewan Landing for an overnight camping experience and take part in survival activities including shelter building, orienteering, geocaching and fire starting. Explore the outdoors on guided hikes to identify animals and the evidence they leave behind, edible plants and more! Call 306-375-5525 to reserve your group campsite.

Location: To be discussed at booking

Duration: Six 1 hour sessions over 2 days

Suggested Curriculum: PE7, PE8, PE9, PE10, PE20, PE30



Booking Information

Educational Programming:

Please fill out the attached School Booking Request Form and email the completed form to outdoorclassroom@gov.sk.ca.

Group Size:

Each program can accommodate 20-30 students. For larger group sizes, contact us at outdoorclassroom@gov.sk.ca to discuss program options.

Group Camping:

Group camping is available to school groups free of charge from September 7, 2021 to June 23, 2022. To book group campsites, please contact the park office at 306-375-5525. When reserving online, standard nightly group camping fees apply from June 24, 2022 until September 6, 2022, in addition to a \$12 non-refundable reservation fee. Visit saskparks.com for standard nightly group rates. Valid vehicle entry permits are required.



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Park Info: 1-800-205-7070
saskparks.com



Know Before You Go

Note: teachers and chaperones are required to participate in all programs.

Be Prepared for the Weather:

Bring sunscreen, insect repellent, warm and waterproof clothing. Rubber boots may also be required for your program.

Cell Coverage:

There is good cell service at Saskatchewan Landing, though it may be limited in some lower areas. Wi-Fi is not available.

Late Arrivals or Cancellations:

Programs are not usually cancelled due to weather unless requested by the school or in extreme/unsafe situations. Please phone us to let us know if you are arriving late. We will try to accommodate changes; however, late arrivals may result in program reduction or cancellation due to other school booking commitments.

Campfires:

Campfires are allowed in the park. Please bring matches, roasting sticks and an axe. Wood is provided on site. Please discuss campfire needs during your booking. In the case of fire restrictions, campfires are prohibited. To find out if the park is under a fire ban, head to saskparks.com.

Drinking Water:

Drinking water may not be available at your program location. Plan ahead and bring filled water bottles.

Safety:

In case of medical or other emergencies, all groups must maintain their own transportation while visiting the park.

In the Classroom:

Discuss with your students ways that they can reduce their impact — reduce packaging on food items, recycle materials and respect the natural environment during your visit.

Further Information:

Learn more about Saskatchewan Landing Provincial Park at www.saskparks.com.



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Education Program Booking Form

You will receive a response within 10 business days to confirm your booking. Park Interpreters begin work in May and will contact you at that time to finalize details. If desired, group camping must be booked separately by contacting the park office at 306-375-5525.

School Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

Email address: _____

School Phone: _____

Name (contact person/teacher): _____

Name(s) of teacher(s) attending trip (if different than above): _____

Cell phone number of teacher(s) attending trip: _____

Grade(s): _____ # of students: _____ # of chaperones: _____

Is your group staying the night? Yes No

**If yes, be sure to book a group campsite by contacting the park office at 306-375-5525.*

Preferred Program Date: _____

1st Choice: _____

2nd Choice: _____

3rd Choice: _____

Planned Arrival Date: _____ Time: _____

Select desired program(s):

- Lake Study (Grade K-11)* *Rings, Ruts and Remnants Hike (Grade 4-12)* *Overnight Survival (Grade 7-12)*
- Rocks in the Valley Hike (Grade 4-12)* *Passage Through Time (PreK-4)* *Geocaching Adventure (Grade 4-12)*
- Prairie Vista Hike (Grade K-12)*

Please choose preferred time(s):

- 9:30 am-10:30 am* *11 am-12 pm* *1 pm-2 pm* *2:30 pm-3:30 pm*

Please list any other curriculum-based themes or inquiry-based learning questions that would help interpretive staff tailor the program to your group.

Are there any special considerations that your interpreter should be aware of (i.e. mobility issues, special needs, allergies, medications, etc.)?

Yes No

In most cases, programs can be adapted to better suit your group. Please discuss any special needs with a Park Interpreter ahead of time.

Please return completed form to: outdoorclassroom@gov.sk.ca.

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