



Teacher Planning Manual

Please read this to prepare yourself for your trip
Feel free to contact the Balarat office at any time if you have question or concerns.

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Dear Fifth Grade Teacher:

My primary purpose in writing is to thank you for making the effort to give your students the opportunity for a residential outdoor learning experience. I know it is extra work for you and an additional demand on your time. Thank you for taking the time to help make it a rich learning experience.

Secondarily, I want to make sure that you feel as if you have an opportunity to get answered any questions you have about the excursion. A lead teacher will be assigned for your trip and can be your first point of contact. If for any reason, that contact doesn't work for you, I am available at 720-424-2940 or patrick_emery@dpsk12.org.

Our hope is that we can help your students make connections between the natural world and the studies they are pursuing in school. Please help us understand how we can do the best job possible with your students.

The accompanying manual is our initial effort to provide some pre-trip planning support. Please duplicate forms as needed and/or call our office additional requirements.

Again, thank you for your efforts and interest in utilizing Balarat as a part of your educational program. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Patrick Emery
Manager
Balarat Outdoor Education

Timeline Checklist

Begin as soon as possible
□ Please look over Teacher Planning Manual.
☐ Schedule your Balarat instructor to come to your school for an orientation with your students parents, & staff. (Balarat instructor will contact you one month ahead of trip.)
$\hfill\square$ Notify your Balarat instructor of any medical needs, physical disabilities, special dietary needs or other concerns for your students.
□ Send a packet home that includes:
 Parent Meeting Notice Registration Forms What to Bring & What Not to Bring Frequently Asked Questions From Parent
* Don't forget to assign a due date for their return, i.e., 2 weeks advance of trip! *
At least two weeks prior to trip
 □ Check student Registration Forms for completion □ Make sure all Teacher / Adult Emergency Information are filled out □ Our kitchen can accommodate nut free, pork free, and vegetarian diets. Students will need to bring their own food for all other special dietary needs including severe allergies. If parents have questions about food, have them call the Balarat office to discuss.
A day or two before your trip
 □ Create two copies of a completed Food Roster (one for your records and one to be handed to Balarat instructor upon arrival). Please do not bring money or a check to Balarat, turn money into your school office. □ Complete (cut & fold) Student Handbooks & gather pencils for each student. □ Check Jamestown, CO weather to help prepare students on what to wear.
Bring With You to Balarat
 □ Completed Food Roster Form □ Completed Student Registration Forms □ Student Medications □ All Teacher / Adult Emergency Information Form(s)

☐ Student Handbooks

Planning Details

Classroom Teacher's Responsibilities at Balarat: We view Balarat as a co-teaching environment. These are your students and they know and trust you. We rely on you to initiate behavioral expectations and provide disciplinary direction. It is necessary for classroom teachers to continually be present during all activities throughout the day and night. There are some occasions in which a classroom teacher will be asked to supervise a particular activity.

Cost of Trip: The Balarat tuition varies depending on a child's Free or Reduced meal eligibility status. The cost per student for a two-day program is \$16.75 (full pay), \$13.75 (reduced), and \$13.00 (free lunch). The cost per student for a three-day program is \$33.50 (full pay), \$27.50 (reduced), and \$26.00 (free lunch). The school will not be billed until after your trip. Please do not bring money to Balarat. Turn all money in to your school office.

Transportation: Denver Public Schools and Balarat provide transportation. Balarat will schedule the bus through Transportation for you. In most cases, there will be one DPS school bus per class. Classroom teachers are expected to ride the bus with their students. All personal vehicles are prohibited at Balarat unless given permission from Balarat administration.

Teacher Meeting: Your Balarat instructor will arrange a meeting with you and your co-teachers before or after one of the above parent or student meetings. The goal of this meeting is to discuss Balarat curriculum, goals and objectives of the trip, medical concerns, food allergies, physical disabilities, and plan Balarat activities. This meeting is crucial to the success of the trip. Please make sure all teachers who are coming to Balarat are present at this meeting.

Student Meeting: Your Balarat instructor will arrange a meeting with you to inform students about Balarat and discuss preparation for the trip. This meeting lasts about 1 hour. Your Balarat instructor may request use of a projector or Promethean board for a PowerPoint presentation.

Parent Meeting: Your Balarat instructor will offer an optional meeting with the goal to inform parents about Balarat and provide an opportunity for questions. The meeting usually takes place after school, in the afternoon or evening, and lasts about 45 minutes. Balarat cannot guarantee translation services for the parent meeting. You may schedule an interpreter through DPS's communications department: communications.dpsk12.org/translation.

High School Leaders: DPS high school students have the opportunity to take an outdoor leadership class called "Service Education Experience at Balarat" to earn 5 credits. This class evaluates their positivity, role modeling, assertiveness, and knowledge of materials. Balarat High School leaders are required to attend a leadership and information training at Balarat prior to instruction. Please keep in mind our High School Leaders are students just like yours and need similar coaching and encouragement. They are not Balarat Staff or childcare professionals.

Student Handbooks: Your Balarat instructor will demonstrate and provide information on how to create student handbooks. Please take the time to cut & fold handbooks before arrival at Balarat. (Students are great help for this task!).

Registration Form: Everyone coming to Balarat must have a completed Registration Form. The information on the form is used for emergencies and will be collected upon arrival at Balarat. All adults attending Balarat will need to complete an Adult Emergency Information form.

Food Roster Form: The Food Roster is extremely important for Balarat to receive federal funding. We need the form to be complete and accurate, including full names and student I.D. numbers (we prefer the roster to be completed on a computer rather than hand written). If Balarat does not receive the Food Roster, each student will be charged regular full pay cost. Please create a copy for your records and a second copy to be handed to your Balarat instructor upon arrival. Please match with your IC roster and cross out students who are not attending.

Medication and Special Medical Concerns: Schools are responsible for obtaining parent/guardian permission, and the classroom teachers administer any needed medication while at Balarat. We need to know ASAP of special medical concerns that may require additional services, i.e. nurse, injections, etc. Balarat does not have a nurse on staff. If a parent is needed to assist with medical issues, they must be a registered volunteer through Denver Public Schools Volunteer Services. This process can take up to 3 weeks. The DPS Student Medication Request Release Agreement, for the current school year, must be signed by a doctor and is required for ALL medications - prescription and/or over-the-counter.

First Aid: Balarat instructors are Wilderness First Aid and CPR certified, or higher. Balarat instructors carry wilderness first aid kits with them at all times. We have two AEDs on site. In the event of an emergency situation, if a landline telephone is not available, our staff can communicate via two-way radio.

Meals/Snacks at Balarat: Except for lunch on the first day, Balarat will provide all meals during your stay. Please do not bring food or snacks to Balarat other than a portable lunch and snack for the first day. Food is not allowed in the sleeping lodges.

Special Dietary Needs: Our kitchen can accommodate nut free, pork free, and vegetarian diets. Students will need to bring their own food for all other special dietary needs including severe allergies. If parents have questions about food, have them call our office to discuss.

Balarat Behavioral Expectations: It is extremely rare to send kids home from Balarat as a behavior consequence. We exhaust multiple options in consultation with teachers, parents, and administrators in the case of adverse behavior. We are in a location that does not welcome people "coming and going", particularly in mountain weather conditions.

Lodge Information: We have 3 sleeping lodges for the overnight program. Each lodge can accommodate nearly 40 students. Each lodge is divided into a boy dormitory and girl dormitory.

- The students sleeping dormitories have bunk beds.
- There is a separate adult sleeping room in both the boy's and girl's dormitory.
- Each dormitory contains a bathroom, which includes two sinks, two toilets, and 2 showers. (The showers are used for emergencies only.)
- Food is never allowed in the sleeping lodges.
- Adult supervision is required at all times.

Wheelchair Accessibility: The buildings are accessible to people with disabilities, however some of the backcountry trails may be difficult to navigate. We can provide 4WD vehicles, driven by a Balarat instructor, to transport students or adults who use wheelchairs or walkers. We welcome and encourage all students to attend Balarat, but request to be informed in advance of any students with special needs. This will help our instructors plan a safe and valuable experience for each student.

Packing: Use the "What to Bring & What Not to Bring" form. We recommend that parents pack with their child and not for their child, in order for students to know where their items are located. Also, by including them in the packing process, the responsibility involved with being away at Balarat can begin at home.

Bedding: Students need to bring their own sleeping bag or warm blanket. We provide clean cotton mattress covers and the sleeping lodges are heated. Full sized pillows are not allowed, however small travel pillows and empty pillow cases are allowed.

Overnight Bag and Daypack: We can loan daypacks and overnight bags for students that do not have them. We require two-strap daypacks, and overnight bags without wheels and one soft side. Overnight bags need to be marked with name tags before leaving school, which are provided by Balarat. Overnight bags will be placed in luggage bays at the back of the bus, and students will not have access to them until after 4:30pm on the first day.

Bedtime Routine: We try to have lights-out by 9:30pm so students can have a full night sleep

Security: Balarat is a closed Denver Public Schools campus and we do not allow drop-in visitors. All Balarat staff members have had a background check and are DPS employees.

Telephone Use: Please let students and parents know ahead of time that we do not allow students to have cell phones or use phones at Balarat. Teachers will be able to call parents in the event of an emergency or illness. All Balarat instructors carry radios in case of emergency. Telephones are available to adults, however please ask Balarat instructor to make a call out.

Teacher Wi-Fi: Elk Lodge does have wireless internet access. We understand you may want to use your cell phone for photos/videos. As far as wi-fi in Elk Lodge, we ask that you take this time to "disconnect", especially during meals and lodge time with students.

Breakfast & Dinner: Our chef serves kid friendly food in family style portions. Each class has its own dining room in the dining lodge. Students assist in dining room set-up and take-down.

Lunches: Excluding the first day, lunches are prepared to be taken out on student adventures.

Coffee and Tea: Freshly brewed coffee and tea are available in the dining lodge for adults.

Kitchen Stewardship: Our kitchen cannot run without your help! Students from each class are chosen at each meal to work as kitchen helpers. Helpers show up early and set tables and help serve food during meal-time. After the meal, students help clear each table and scrape dishes. Some students will be asked to stay and help with dishes and vacuuming.

The Day of Your Trip

Before You Leave Your School:

- Your bus will arrive at the beginning of the school day. The Balarat office will have already assigned high school leader teams, a bus number, and a driver to your class. Please do not make changes to those assignments.
- High school leaders will lend Overnight Bags (green army duffles) to those kids that do not have bags. Bus drivers will collect the borrowed Overnight Bags after the trip.
- Please make sure that every Overnight Bag has a tag with the student's name.
- Make sure every student has lunch and a filled water bottle in their Daypack.
- Check Jamestown weather and make sure students are dressed appropriately.
- Check with school nurse that you have all medications and know how to administer them. All the meds for your class should go in your personal Daypack. You should have a DPS Student Medication Request Release Agreement, signed by a doctor, for each medication.
- Take bathroom breaks before you leave the school! The drive is at least 90 minutes and our drivers cannot stop for bathroom breaks.

П	Lunch + snack
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	Full water bottle
	Personal warm layers
	Pencils for each student
	Student Balarat Handbooks
	Completed Food Roster Form
	Student Registration Forms
	Student Medications
	All Teacher / Adult Emergency Information Form(s)

☐ Optional: sunscreen, sunglasses, chapstick, camera, etc.

• Your (teacher) Daypack should be packed with:

^{*} The Registration Forms, Adult Emergency Information Form, and Food Roster should be in your daypack so that your Balarat teacher can collect them upon arrival *

On The Bus:

- The high school leaders will help to seat your students. Daypacks go overhead on storage racks and Overnight Bags will be placed in luggage bays in the back of your bus. If students need to borrow a backpack for the trip, orders will be taken once on the bus.
- The first row of seats will be saved for the high school leaders, and we ask that you sit in back to help the leaders with supervision.
- The bus ride to the site is part of our educational experience. We view it as a classroom on wheels. This helps get the students in the mindset for learning when they arrive.

Upon Your Arrival: Welcome to Balarat!

- Your Balarat instructor will meet your bus when you get to the site. Every class will have their own small snack shelter to start the trip, and you most likely will not see the other teachers or students from your school until dinner time.
- When you get off the bus, there will be time for bathrooms and a quick snack before you and your students leave for an Ecology Hike.
- The bus driver will deliver all Overnight Bags to a sheltered area that is near the main lodge. These will then be collected by students and teachers after 4:30pm on the first day.

Balarat 2-Day Program Sample Schedule*

Time	Day 1	Day 2
6:30		Wake up! Get ready for Morning Walk
6:45		Leave for Silent Morning Walk
7:30		Breakfast in Elk Lodge & Clean-up
8:00 - 9:30	Balarat Bus arrives at school at the start of <i>your</i> school day. Load up & leave for Balarat	Get ready for the day, pack duffel bag, clean, and move out
9:30-12:30	10:30 Arrival Welcome, Snack, Bathroom. Eco Hike	2nd Balarat Field Activity & Lunch
12:30-1:00	Lunch	Hoad Home 2 hours prior to your school's dismissal
1:00-4:00	1st Balarat Field Activity	Head Home 2 hours prior to your school's dismissal time
4:00-5:15	Hike to Sleeping Lodge, Move in, Meal Set-Up	
5:30-6:30	Dinner & Clean Up	
7:00-8:45	Silent Solo Night Walk	
9:00	Get ready for Bedtime	
9:30	Lights Out	

Balarat 3-Day Program Sample Schedule*

Time	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	
6:30		Wake up! Get ready for Morning Walk	Wake up! Get ready for Morning Walk	
6:45		Leave for Silent Morning Walk	Leave for Silent Morning Walk	
7:30		Breakfast in Elk Lodge & Clean-up	Breakfast in Elk Lodge & Clean-up	
8:00 - 9:30	Balarat Bus arrives at school at the start of <i>your</i> school day. Load up & leave for Balarat	Get ready for the day	Get ready for the day, pack duffel bag, clean, and move out	
9:30-12:30	10:30 Arrival Welcome, Snack, Bathroom	2nd Balarat Field Activity	4th Balarat Field Activity & Lunch	
12:30-1:00	Lunch	Lunch		
1:00-4:00	1st Balarat Field Activity	3rd Balarat Field Activity	Head Home 2 hours prior to your school's dismissal time	
4:00-5:15	Hike to Sleeping Lodge, Move in, Meal Set-Up	Hike to Sleeping Lodge, Lodge Time, Meal Set-Up		
5:30-6:30	Dinner & Clean Up	Dinner & Clean Up		
7:00-8:45	Silent Solo Night Walk or teacher activity+ Group Walk	Silent Solo Night Walk or teacher activity+ Group Walk		
9:00	Get ready for Bedtime	Get ready for Bedtime		
9:30	Lights Out	Lights Out		

^{*}This is a sample schedule and subject to change.

5th Grade Activity Options

Place Based Science Explorations: Science is an adventure in itself, and your students will get the chance to authentically engage is 3-dimensional learning. At Balarat, students can engage in authentic, place-based learning that vary based on the season.

Western History: This is our "Ranch House" learning module. Students spend their time rotating through 3 modules learning about early inhabitants of Colorado. Students learn about Native Americans by building and learning about the tipi as a shelter, Trappers and Explorers by building snares and candle making, and Pioneers by baking biscuits in a pioneer kitchen.

Mining History: Our mining unit explores the history of hard rock gold extraction process. Students rotate through 3 modules to give them a better understanding of how gold was extracted. Students will work with hand rock drills, a sluice box hoist, visit a gold mine, and learn about the assaying process.

Orienteering Challenge: Students learn to use a map and compass in order to explore our site and find various hidden points on an orienteering course that includes hiking up and over high points and passing interesting historical features.

Archery: Discover your inner toxophilite! Students receive instruction on archery skills, range rules, and safety, and then have the opportunity to hone their aim and form.

Peak Challenge: A 6 mile round trip hike up Fairview Peak. The peak provides beautiful views of the Front Range and the Indian Peaks and Denver! This hike is a full day activity. The Peak Challenge provides an excellent opportunity for goal setting and accomplishment, as well as science explorations enroute.

Team Initiatives: Students are presented with a challenge and through practicing team skills attempt to move their team through the challenge. Students gain a better sense of working as a team to achieve a common goal.

Compass Course: Students receive instruction in the use of a compass as a navigational aid and their pacing to measure distance and then set off on our compass course.

Low Ropes Course: Students work together to move a teammate through a low challenge course. Teamwork, and personal challenge are emphasized in this popular activity.

The following activities are weather dependent and seasonal. They also may require additional adult chaperones from the school (teachers, admin, or paras) that are willing to actively participate in the safety systems. We strongly discourage classroom teachers from choosing 2 of these activities during the program in an effort to provide a more diverse experience for all learners.

High Ropes Challenge Course (1+ Adults from School): After extensive instruction in safety procedures that are critical, students participate in a "team belay" to help each other through the ropes course. Students set and attempt to meet personal goals as they push their limits in a safe, controlled manner.

Big Swing: Participants wear a full-body harness and swing over a gulch. Teamwork is essential to this activity as is developing a supportive environment.

Zip Line (1+ adult from school): Participants wear a harness and take a 300 ft. zip ride across the gulch.



Dear Parents of Students Scheduled for Balarat,

We are delighted that your student will be spending time learning and living with us at the Balarat Outdoor Education Center. The purpose of the residential/overnight trip is to provide students with an opportunity to explore the natural world and to link those experiences to the work they do in their classrooms. We are working with your student's teacher to plan the specific agenda for their class, with the aim that the trip is a learning adventure that students will always remember.

By way of a brief introduction to Balarat, it is a program that has been a part of the Denver Public Schools (DPS) since 1969. Fifth grade students have been doing overnight programs at Balarat since 1975. All Balarat personnel are DPS employees.

While at Balarat, students live in modern buildings that are heated and have standard bathrooms with running water. The sleeping quarters are dormitory style (multiple bunk beds in a large room), separated such that boys and girls are on opposite sides of a building. An adult, a Balarat instructor or classroom teacher, will have direct supervision of the dormitory space. High school student leaders who have done some specific training at Balarat will assist the teacher.

Breakfast and dinner will be served, family style, in our dining hall. Students will be responsible for assisting with the setting of tables, cleaning up afterwards and washing dishes. Lunches will be put together by our food service personnel and then packed by fifth graders, to be eaten at a location away from the Lodge.

During the day, students will be engaged in learning activities that are led by the lead Balarat instructor, high school leaders and/or the classroom teacher. The activities are directed at helping students better understand the local flora, fauna and human history and to connect their classroom studies to the outdoors. The classroom teacher and/or the Balarat instructor will be supervising/leading all activities.

You can help your student and us by:

Using the packing list as a guide for what to bring and what to leave behind;
Making sure that your student is prepared for wet or cold weather;
Filling out, signing and returning the Balarat Registration Form as soon as possible. Please include
information that will be helpful for us to know about your student in advance of the trip;
Remind your student that Balarat is a learning place. We would like them to bring their wonder,
interest and excitement about the natural world and the people with whom they will interact.

If you have any questions that cannot be answered at your student's school, please don't hesitate to contact me at 720-424-2940 or patrick_emery@dpsk12.org.

We look forward to having your student at Balarat.

Sincerely, Patrick Emery, Manager

Frequently Asked Questions From Parents

What is the Phone Number at Balarat?

The phones on site are for emergency purposes only. To reach the Balarat main office, call 720-424-2940. Office hours are 7am to 5pm.

Will my child be able to call home while at Balarat?

Students are not allowed to bring cell phones or use Balarat phone to call home. In case of emergency, a staff member will contact you immediately. For many students, the overnight experience is as much of a learning experience as the curriculum. Often times calling home can make issues of homesickness worse.

Will I be able to visit my child at Balarat?

Visitors, including family members, are not allowed. We are a closed campus for the protection of all the students on site.

Will my child get plenty of food to eat?

Yes! All students receive 3 meals a day. Breakfast and dinner are prepared by our talented chef and served family style, students can get seconds if they are still hungry. They also get a sack lunch on their second day of the trip so that they can eat a picnic lunch when they are out on their adventure for the day. Please pack them a lunch for the first day of their Balarat trip.

What if my child has special dietary needs or food allergies?

Our kitchen can accommodate nut free, pork free, and vegetarian diets. Students will need to bring their own food for all other special dietary needs including severe allergies. If you have questions about food, please call the Balarat office to discuss.

Where should I send the money for the trip?

Cash and checks are collected by your student's teacher. The check for your trip should be made payable to your child's elementary school. If there is a need for financial assistance, this should be handled confidentially by contacting the teacher or principal. Fees cover your child's food and nothing else. All other costs to operate Balarat come from Denver Public Schools.

What should my child bring?

Use the enclosed "What to Bring & What *Not* to Bring" list as a guide. Please *help* your child pack and do not pack for them. It is important for them to know what they brought so it does not get mixed up with other students' belongings. Also, by including them in the packing process, the responsibility involved with being away at Balarat can begin at home.

What if my child doesn't have something they need to bring?

If your child does not have something that is needed, please contact your child's 5th grade teacher. They will work with Balarat staff to accommodate your child's needs.

Who works on the Balarat staff?

Balarat Instructors are all Denver Public Schools employees and educators who have undergone background checks. All of our instructors are CPR and Wilderness First Aid certified and are well trained, not only to teach, but to respond in an emergency setting.

What happens if there is an emergency at Balarat?

Our staff is trained to handle emergencies on site. The students' parents/guardians will be contacted and if medical attention is needed, the closest hospital is 25 minutes.

What are the sleeping accommodations?

Each 5th grade class will be assigned its own heated sleeping lodge. In those lodges there is a boy's dormitory and a girl's dormitory equipped with bunk beds. Each dormitory has a bathroom inside. The classroom teacher and Balarat Instructor will also sleep in the lodge for supervision. The adults will each have a separate room attached to both the boy's or girl's dormitories.

What will my child learn during the Balarat trip?

We have worked over the years with teachers, parents, and administrators in DPS in designing our curriculum and activities. We have aligned our curriculum with Colorado education standards to help support and incorporate what students are learning in the classroom. We guarantee that while students are having fun, they are also learning, and visa versa.



What to Bring & What Not to Bring

Please make sure your child has adequate cold-weather clothing, including thick, warm socks, and a heavy winter jacket. Even in the Spring and Fall it may snow and it can get very cold, especially at night. We require two-strap daypacks, and overnight bags without wheels and one soft side. We can loan daypacks and overnight bags for students that do not have them.

Clothing you will need

Waterproof or insulated boots

Extra pair of sneakers

3 pairs of warm, tall socks, wool is best

2-3 shirts

Daily change of underwear

Long underwear if possible

2 pairs of long pants (pants must be worn, no

shorts)

Sweater or sweatshirt

Warm jacket

Warm pajamas

Sun hat & Winter hat

Gloves

Personal Items

Sleeping bag or warm blanket

Toothbrush and toothpaste

Washcloth

Chapstick, sunglasses, sunscreen

Brush

Deodorant

Optional Items

Books and writing materials

Camera (can't bring a cell phone, iPod)

Binoculars

Slippers (our lodges have a no-shoe policy)

Plant and animal field guides

What Not to Bring

Clothes or shoes that can't get dirty

Sandals or open toed shoes

Cell phones

Electronic games

Mp3 player/iPods/iTouch

eReader

Pocket knives

Weapons

Matches or lighters

Flashlight

Candy, soda, gum

Medicine (meds must be with classroom teacher)

Perfume, Cologne, Body Spray

Aerosol Sprays

What to wear on the day of your trip!

* Check the weather for Jamestown, CO

Thick, tall socks

Waterproof or insulated boots

Long pants (with long underwear if it is cold)

T-shirt

Long sleeve shirt

Sweater or sweatshirt

Warm jacket

Pack these extras in your Daypack

Lunch and snack for the 1st day

A full water bottle (32oz/1 liter) Don't freeze!

Rain gear (Could be a large plastic bag)

Hat and gloves

A few pencils



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Our Fifth-Graders are going to be attending an overnight program with Balarat Outdoor Education soon. We are hosting a meeting for parents in order to provide information about this excursion. This meeting, with a Balarat teacher and classroom teachers, will provide you the opportunity to ask questions and learn about the program specifics.

Parent Meeting Date/Time	Location of Meeting
Excursion Dates:	



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Estimos Padres,

Los estudiantes en grado quinto van a ir en un excursión a la programa al aire libre en Balarat. Vamos a tener una junta con el maestro de Balarat y los maestros de su escuela quienes llevarán a su hijo/hija a Balarat. Esta junta la dará información específica sobre la logística y los propósitos educacionales de la excursión, y ofrecerá una amplia oportunidad para discutir y hacer preguntas.

Fecha/Hora de Reunión	Location
La Fecha de Excursión:	



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