



# Jackson Hole Science Expedition

GRADES 10-12+ · INFORMATION & EQUIPMENT LIST

# 2023



**LOCATION:** Kelly Campus of Teton Science Schools – PO Box 68, 1 Ditch Creek Rd, Kelly, WY 83011



**ARRIVAL:** July 3, 2023  
Between 12 PM – 4 PM



**DEPARTURE:** July 28, 2023  
Before 12 PM

## FORMS REQUIRED PRIOR TO ATTENDANCE

- [STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE](#)
- [TRAVEL FORM](#)
- [TEACHER RECOMMENDATION](#)

## AIR TRAVELERS

- If you will need our Jackson Hole airport shuttle service, we will provide complimentary pick-up and drop-off at the Jackson Hole airport for planes landing and departing within the above scheduled time windows. Preapproval is required via the Travel Form.
- Please check with your air carrier in regards to unaccompanied minor fees and processes. They differ for each airline. Please inform Teton Science Schools of your unaccompanied minor status and provide proof of payment if purchased.
- Plan for additional travel costs of luggage and travel insurance; bring EXACT CHANGE, a pre-paid debit card, or pre-pay these fees before departure. Note that students traveling as unaccompanied minors will not be able to check-in or pay for baggage fees the night before.

## TRAVEL DETAILS

- It is important that you arrive and depart at the specified times. Orientation to campus and the program are given upon arrival and the program's tone and focus are clarified.
- Housing is not available on the days immediately preceding and following this course.
- We have limited parking available and no driving is permitted by students during the course, so please do not drive your own vehicles with the intent of using them while here.

## DRAFT SCHEDULE



- Week 1: July 3-9 – Welcome and orientation, Building Your Team, Introduction to Place
- Week 2: July 10-16 – Frontcountry Camping Trip
- Week 3: July 17-23 – Field Research Project
- Week 4: July 24-28 – Backcountry Camping Trip & Celebration of Learning

## PREPARING

- Getting in shape: Most days during this course you will be outside for 8 hours walking with a light pack. Exercising daily for at least 20 minutes and taking long walks or bike rides will help you get in shape.
- Spending Money: Estimate \$30 - \$75 for an occasional opportunity to purchase postcards, souvenirs, etc.
- Food: Our chefs work hard to make good, plentiful and nutritious meals. Coffee and tea are not available. Snacks are available in our dining lodge. Snacks in your lodge are not allowed due to wildlife considerations.
- Visits: Town trips and/or time off with friends will not be possible. Immediate family members are welcome to visit—please have them call ahead to make sure you will be available.
- Communication from you: To increase your time in nature and in community, you will not have access to personal cell phones during the week. (See electronics policy for more details). You can write letters and postcards throughout the week; we have postcards and stamps available for purchase.
- Communication to you: Your parents, guardians or immediate family members can send letters or postcards to you during the program.

## EQUIPMENT LIST

*Teton Science Schools has a limited stock of gear that can be rented free of charge, including: backpacks, sleeping bags, water bottles, and rain coats and jackets.*

### Upper Clothing Layers

- T-shirts, 5-6
- Casual, comfortable shirt, 2-3
- Lightweight fleece or wool shirt
- Wool sweater / fleece jacket
- Lightweight jacket
- Long underwear top - polypro or capilene
- Lightweight raincoat - no plastic or ponchos
- Gloves or mittens, 1 pair

### Bottom Clothing Layers

- Comfortable jeans or cotton work pants, 2 pairs
- Hiking pants, synthetic, NOT cotton
- Warm pants, wool or fleece, NOT cotton
- Long underwear bottoms -polypro or capilene
- Shorts, 2 pairs
- Underwear
- Lightweight rain pants

### Foot Items

- Hiking boots, with support above the ankle (break them in well before the course)
- Trail shoes that can get muddy or other shoes (sneakers) for campus, close-toed
- Sandals, Crocs, or flip-flops
- Hiking socks, wool or synthetic blend, 5 pairs
- Cotton athletic socks, 2-3 pairs

### Backpacking/Camping Items

- Warm, lightweight sleeping bag, rated 20° F
- Thermarest camping mattress or closed-cell foam sleeping pad
- Internal frame backpack, 3500-5000 cubic inches
- Durable & lightweight bowl, cup, spoon
- Bandanas, 1-2
- Stuff sacks for packing clothes or food items, 2-3
- Large heavy-duty plastic garbage bag, 1

### Miscellaneous Items

- Towel, washcloth, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, chapstick, etc.
- Pillowcase and twin fitted sheet (for cabin bunks)
- Sunblock, rated SPF 15 or +
- Headlamp & extra batteries
- Duffel bag or suitcase as 2nd piece of luggage to store gear
- Pencils/pens, 3-5
- Notebook/journal with 50-100 pages
- 1-Liter plastic water bottles, 2, labeled with your name (NOT a canteen)
- Sunglasses
- Cap with brim
- Warm hat - fleece or wool
- Personal hand sanitizer
- Face mask (2 ply mask or greater, a buff or neck gaiter will not be accepted)

### Optional Personal Items

(Teton Science Schools can supply daypack, gaiters, binoculars, compass)

- Day-size backpack
- Reading materials
- Small stuff-sack (for toiletries)
- Water-resistant watch
- Camera and film (camera phones are prohibited)
- Colored pencils & other art supplies
- Binoculars
- Gaiters
- Polypropylene liner socks, 2 pair, to prevent blisters
- Compass
- Personal journal

### Please DO NOT bring

- Hair dryers & styling irons
- Pocket knives & multi-tools
- Radios, music players, electronic games or other electronic devices.

Cell phones and music players will be collected upon arrival and returned to you upon completion. Please label them well.

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