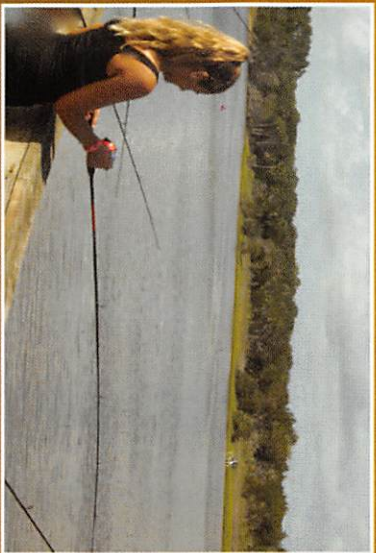


Purpose

The purpose of the program is to provide a foundation of knowledge and appreciation for the wildlife, flora and fauna of Florida, and the conservation of such. The program includes instruction on the unique biology of Florida and responsible outdoor recreation. Scholars are exposed to a wide range of career opportunities that are related to the natural environment. Upon successful completion of the program, scholars are eligible to earn a Boating Safety Education ID Card and have the opportunity to obtain a Florida Hunter Safety Certificate.



Program Structure

The Introduction to Outdoor Sciences course is offered on the elective wheel in 7th grade. Scholars have the opportunity to participate in the after school out-door club which is highly recommended.

In 8th grade, the program consists of the yearlong Outdoor Sciences elective. During this course, scholars have the opportunity to interact with and learn from wildlife conservation officers and forestry service personnel.



Scholars participate in community service as it relates to the outdoor environment. The course includes the following areas of focus:

- Introduction to Natural Florida
- Outdoor Education (including boater/hunter certification)
- Marine/wildlife conservation

Program Prerequisites

The ability to function in various outdoor weather conditions and environments is required.

7th Grade:

- Participation in the quarter-long Introduction to Outdoor Education course is preferred.
- Participation in the after-school outdoor club is preferred.



Certification Requirements

Successful completion of the Outdoor Sciences course, which includes the following:

- Ten hours of community service
- Assigned report
- Research project
- Boater safety certification
- Participation in the Indian Trails Flagship Showcase

Alternative paths to certification are available upon request.

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