

Stoney Lake Bible Camp
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Rental Fact Sheet 2008

How long have these trips been available?

Stoney has been running school rental trips since 1996. School trips are designed to give your students an opportunity to participate in educational and recreational activities under the supervision of our trained staff.

Is there any curriculum value?

The trips are educational in that students will learn, through the activities, team building skills while participating in many of the group activities. Opportunities are also given to learn new physical activities that will be skills enjoyed for all life.

The trips are recreational in that they tie in with physical education. All activities will give students physical exercise in a distinctly natural atmosphere. Many of the skills we offer are not readily available to our students.

What is our staff like?

- All staff are students in post secondary colleges.
- All staff members are trained in our “Policy and Procedure Manual” of our skill program
- All staff are trained in safe usage of all equipment.
- We do have a NLS certified lifeguard on staff.
- We have a well stocked medical station
- Our staff will make this school trip a very memorable occasion.
- They will accompany all groups during the day’s activities.

What does a typical day look like?

The group will arrive at approximately 8:30 – 9:00 am. They will be met by our staff and taken to our gymnasium for a quick orientation of the day’s activities. The students will then be divided into groups of approximately 6 – 8 students. They will be assigned a Stoney team leader that will accompany the group through out the entire day. Teachers or supervisors are most welcome to accompany and participate in the activities. The activity sessions will be 45 – 60 min in duration.

All activity will take a lunch break around noon. Groups and staff will then go to the Dining Hall for a prepared meal or a bag lunch your choice.

Team groups reconvene after lunch and carry through the activities until it is time to leave. Groups sometimes leave by 3:00 pm but are welcome to stay longer.

Our staff will assist the students in packing belongings and will see them off as they leave on the camp.

If you choose to stay for the night the activities will continue with more meals and activities. The day will close with a campfire.

What are the skills or activities?

Archery: We have purchased very good archery equipment for the students to use. All staff are trained to follow strict safety rules while on the shooting range. (There has never been an accident in our 50 year history of archery!) We believe that students should have a chance to try new things – but be safe while doing so. Students will learn about archery, safety, and will do actual shooting.

Trampoline: We offer two trampolines for the students to work out on. We allow only 1 person at a time on the tramp. The staff and students will spot around the tramp beds. Our staff will strictly enforce our “Policy and Procedure Manual” at the trampolines.

Beach Volleyball: We have a sand filled beach volley ball court. Our staff will introduce the students to some new volleyball games. They will also play the regular game with the students.

Human Pool Table: A big pool table that you walk around on! No pool cues but we do use lawn croquet mallets to propel the tennis balls into the pockets.

Canoes; An ever popular activity. Our staff are trained in the safe use of and proper handling procedures. All students are required to wear a PFD. All equipment is inspected and has the equipment as require for its safe use.

Kayaks: Kayaking will be under the watchful supervision of our staff. Our kayaks are the sit on style. We do not use the sit down in with the water sock style. Our kayaks are very safe for all. All of our students enjoy the freedom they have as they travel on the water surface. All students are require to wear a PFD. Our staff are very knowledgeable in their usage and safety procedures.

Hiking: We offer a 45 min hiking trail that weaves through out our tree covered land. Staff will point out interesting facts to the students as they travel on foot through the trail.

Climbing Wall: Our brand new climbing wall will be a huge attraction. In fact you will see it as soon as you arrive at camp. Our staff are trained in equipment and traverse procedure. All students are require to use safety climbing equipment. Students will be only allowed on the wall under supervision of a qualified staff member. The wall will have four faces 1, Repelling wall, 2. Beginners side, 3. Intermediate side, 4. Advance climbing. The next closest wall of this calibre is in Saskatoon.

Human Foose Ball: A great fashioned after the table game. The twist is that the students actually get inside and are the players. Students grasp the slider on the rope. Together as a team they work to score on the opposing team.

Waterslide: Our 110’ water slide is enjoyed by all participants. Exit from the slide is into the lake. The water depth is approximately 1 meter deep. The sand base keeps all the toes safe. There is also supervisor within 3 m of the slide exit to observe and keep all participants safe.

The Blob: A big pillow that you jump onto. There are great pics on the website. We have staff supervisors that are on duty watching all the action. Our campers particularly enjoy this activity. Our staff enforces the safe rules of the “Blob”

Swimming: Should you wish to enjoy the beautiful beach you will be under the watchful eye of our NLS waterfront instructor and life guard. All students will be require to swim with a “Buddy” There is a confined area that all are required to stay in unless they can prove to the lifeguard that they can swim the required laps. This area also houses the “Saturn” – a big green and white water toy shaped like the planet Saturn. There is also a 24’ swing that will allow students to swim out over the water surface and drop into the lake. We do use PFD for all water activities except for actual swimming.

Canteen: We will open up our camp store – your call for a treat that the students can enjoy as they travel back to home base. We offer a great selection of snack foods.

Low elements course: This is brand new this year. There will be balance beams, obstacles and low height activities for the students. The purpose for this course will be to teach team work, student leadership skills, balance, discovering, through group participation, how to solve problems.

Amazing Stoney Race: The amazing Stoney race is modelled after the popular TV program. Students will be divided into teams. Clues will be given and together using all the team members they will race against all the other teams. This activity is fairly long so plan to have ½ of your day taken at this activity.

Spiderman: Brand new to Stoney! Your students will put on magnetic gloves and shoes. They will be able to climb all over our wall made of metal. The wall is less than 3 m in height. Safety mats are placed along the base and will protect any who may fall.

What happens if it rains?

Good question! Activity never stops at Stoney. We do have a big gym that we can use if the rain is to intense. We are able to carry on most activities if the rain is light. If inclement weather is forecast simply have the students bring rain equipment and a dry change of clothes.

What do the teachers and supervisors do?

You are welcome to accompany the students in their activities. We DO have the coffee on at all times and there are usually fresh cookies for the teachers and supervisors! You will not be responsible to arrange or be responsible to see that the students are having fun. This is a day for you to kick back and enjoy having fun with you class. It will give you opportunity to try something new for yourself.

What do we bring?

Have your students bring clothing that is very washable. They may need a change of clothes in case of rain. Sun screen, a cover for their heads and a water bottle are very useful for the students. Good shoes are important. Flip flops, sandals etc are not heavy enough to stand the terrain that the students will be travelling. Swim suit and a towel will be necessary if they are in water related activities. A camera will capture the activities of the day.

Where in the worlds is Stoney?

You can Google us or follow the map. If you use Google don't forget to enter the -104.201 as a minus.



How much will this cost?

The Stoney board has frozen the cost of the trips this year. We believe that the value given is quite possibly the best available any where.

What do other educators say?

We aim to provide the students and educators with the best year end trip of their school years. (In fact many return for another trip the next year) Students and educators have a blast – and we love to see them having a great trip.

We have teachers that have been coming for six years straight. They are booking on to 2010 for prime time.

“This is the best trip we have ever been on!”

“My students look forward to this from the beginning of the year.”

“I will be back next year for sure.”

Tell me about Stoney?

Stoney has been in the camping business for fifty one years. The Director and his wife have served the camp for thirty of those years. Our staff are all trained in a 10 day training program. They are very familiar with our program. They know the policies and procedures that we have developed over the past five decades. Our staff will do their best to make sure that your students have a wonderful day.

We are an accredited member of the Saskatchewan Camping association.
The camp is under the national organization of the CSSM.
We are a member of Christian Camping International.

If we haven't answered all your questions please feel free to call Doug at 306-752-5120

From the Director:

Rose and I look forward to having you with us this spring. Camping has had a profound influence on the lives of our youth. We seek to work together with you in providing a great atmosphere to enhance the principles that you have been teaching your students this year. Thank you for considering your educational trip with us at Stoney!

Douglas Arbogast
Director



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