

## **Weather? Yes! School? Well.....Yes! Sort of.....read on:**

So, it's a school day, and we don't want to have to make these "snow days" up at the end of the year, right? The activities below count as your school work for the snow day.

Below you will find a 5-step lesson plan that will count as a day of school. Bring the materials you will create to school with you on the next campus school day to make sure you receive credit and are not counted as absent.

### Virtual Yosemite National Park Field Trip

- Watch this video to get started! "One Day in Yosemite - Yosemite Nature Notes"  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7QLVMwyxU\\_Q&index=13&list=PL890957589F8403A4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7QLVMwyxU_Q&index=13&list=PL890957589F8403A4)

You'll need some paper to write down the answers to the questions and prompts below, or do it on a Google or Word doc.

- While watching, (1) write down a list of all the activities you see happening. (2) How many did you count? (3) What activities could you imagine that were not on the video? Write those down too in a separate list (at least three)
- Now go back and chose your top three choices of what you would like to do. Write those down.
- Now choose one that you will do
- Create a document that will serve as your planning guide. Title it with the name of selected activity. You will have to do some research...
- Materials and gear - create a list of what you will need. From hang-gliding, painting, hiking, climbing, backpacking, etc. each will require some equipment. Write down how much each article costs - create the list and the value of each item even if you already own it.
- Do some research into where in Yosemite you would have to go to do your activity and write about it.
- Who would you take with you as adventure companions? Write down their names, and list why you would want them to accompany you.

- How are you going to get there? There is a bus company called YARTS that leaves from Sonora - what does "YARTS" stand for? Find the Hwy 120 YARTS schedule.
- Chose a date for your trip. What bus stop would you leave from? What time would you leave? How much would the ticket cost for you? Include a total for all who are going with you.
- Now let's say you will drive to the park. Draw a map of the roads you would take from your house to your destination within the park. How many miles is it? Find out the gas mileage (the ratio of miles per gallon) of the vehicle you will take. Calculate how much gas it will take for your round-trip journey. How much is gas per gallon in Sonora right now? How much gas money will your trip cost?

Choose one of the following activities:

- Option A. Draw or paint a picture that captures either you doing your activity, or what the area looks like that you do it in.
- Option B. Write a poem about Yosemite, or your adventure. Choose one of the following styles, or your own style: diamonte, acrostic, a list poem, sonnet, haiku