

## Experiential Learning Itinerary

### Explore Yavapai County: Copper Basin, Skull Valley and Walnut Grove



**Transportation:** 12-PASSENGER VANS (non-smoking)

**Meals:** Box lunch and drinking water provided. Bring extra drinking water and snacks if desired.

**Tour:** This road trip takes Copper Basin Road, down through Copper Basin to Skull Valley, and then over to Walnut Grove on the Hassayampa River, returning to Prescott via Highway 89. Along the way we'll see incredible scenery, historic mining activity, the Skull Valley Historical Museum, the beautiful valley of the Hassayampa River, and learn of the geology, natural history, and territorial history of the area. This trip will include an optional 1-mile walk on a maintained forest trail up Aspen Creek (some moderate uphill).

**7:45AM** – Arrive at Yavapai College Prescott Campus. **Meet your van in the parking lot in front of the Lifelong Learning, Building 31.** You may park in any unreserved space in the parking areas of the campus.

**8:00AM** – Depart from Prescott Campus traveling out Thumb Butte Road, along the crest of the Sierra Prieta Mountains down through Copper Basin. Learn about the railroad history and the mining activity in the area.

**11:00AM** – Explore Skull Valley Historical Society Museum

**12:00PM** – Enjoy sack lunch at Skull Valley

**1:00PM** – Continue along to Walnut Grove and the Hassayampa River. Additional stops to enjoy the beautiful scenery, history and natural features along the route.

**5:00PM** – Approximate arrival time in Prescott.

*Itineraries are subject to change due to timing, weather, facility closures and other factors. Efforts will be made to stay as close to the original schedule as possible. Times are approximate and may vary slightly. Please arrive at your pickup location early so that we can stay as close to the schedule as possible.*

#### TIPS:

- Wear comfortable clothes and walking shoes.
- Check the weather the night before and dress in layers if you are uncertain.
- Bring your camera. Binoculars are also a great idea.
- Bring sunscreen, bug spray, and always wear a hat.
- Be prepared for back road travel along winding and bumpy roads.
- Bring extra drinking water and snacks. Some drinking water will be provided for you.
- Please arrive early so we can check you in and depart on time.
- When in the van, please refrain from using a cell phone.
- Please be sensitive of van mates and do not wear perfume or heavy lotions.
- There will be walking up to one-quarter mile on uneven ground.
- If you have mobility limitations, please notify the Experiential Learning staff at least a week before your trip.
- Have **FUN!**

## Health Form:

The electronic Health form link will be **emailed** with the finalized itinerary to the email address on your student profile. If you do not receive this link or if you are unable to submit the electronic form, please contact our office. You **MUST** provide a health form to your trip leader on the morning of departure.

Please call **928-717-7755** with any questions. Experiential Learning office hours are Monday to Friday, 8AM-5PM.

**Driver Contact:** If you are running late the morning of the trip, our trip leader will call the number we have on file for you. If you know ahead of time that you will not be able to attend a trip, please call the Experiential Learning office number **during business hours**, Mon-Fri, 8am to 5pm at: 928-717-7755.

## Prescott Campus Map

