

# **Red Rock Canyon NCA Environmental Education Teacher Workshops**

## **“Explore the Great Outdoor”**

What is Explore the Great Outdoors (EGO)? The Explore the Great Outdoors – Part 1 is required to take students/groups on all trails at Red Rock Canyon NCA.

Explore the Great Outdoors are workshops designed for educators and children’s group leaders to familiarize them with Red Rock Canyon NCA facilities, group logistics and present information about the natural and cultural resources of Red Rock Canyon NCA and the Mojave Desert.

Generally the workshop is six (6) hours in length. Specialized Professional Development Workshops (PDE) for Clark County teachers which last 8 hours are also offered at separate workshops.

Participants receive a workbook, posters and special information about the area. There is a guided tour of the visitor center and a popular trail. Hands-on involvement and sharing is highly encouraged.

Thank you for your inquiry regarding our “Explore the Great Outdoors Teacher Workshops” at Red Rock Canyon NCA. The following information will provide you with dates and prices of each program.

### **Part 1: October 6 or October 20, 2007 (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)**

This class is \$35.00 for ½ PDE credit (Register with CSSD-PDE). \$10.00 for non-PDE credit, payable to Red Rock Canyon, Attn: EGO

### **Part 2: November 3, 2007**

This class is \$35.00 for ½ PDE credit (Register with CSSD-PDE). \$10.00 for non-PDE credit, payable to Red Rock Canyon, Attn: EGO.

### **Who can attend?**

Teachers, Scout leaders, park and recreation staff, commercial tour leaders, docents and those interested in leading groups on informational hikes or programs are all welcome to attend. Those with special needs can be accommodated with advance notice.

### **History:**

This program was developed to meet the needs due to the explosive growth of the Las Vegas Valley School programs. The “EGO” Workshop provides: updated resource

information to teachers, provides natural and cultural history information to teachers who are new to the area and imparts a sense of ownership in teachers thereby increasing the protection of the resources.

The Bureau of Land Management, Friends of Red Rock Canyon Education Committee, Red Rock Canyon Interpretive Association and other interested teachers and volunteers contributed their time and expertise to the production of a companion guide to the Mojave Desert Discovery Guide, specifically for Red Rock Canyon NCA. Activities were coded to the Clark Country School District C.E.F. 1994/95.

The Friends of Red Rock Canyon Environmental Education Committee Currently sponsors and supports the workshop by providing funds, for instructors, supplies and volunteers which assist in presenting and organizing workshops.

Call 515-5357 for applications. Fax 363-6779. Applications are accepted until 5 days prior to the workshop. These classes will be held at the Red Rock Visitor Center. PDE participants must also sign up with the PDE office.

Participants should bring a sack lunch, dress for weather and be ready to hike 1-3 miles over rough trail during both workshops. Workshops begin at the Red Rock Canyon Visitor Center.

Participants will be eligible to apply for future transportation and substitute scholarships through Friends of Red Rock Canyon.

All classes are limited to 20 participants.