



OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

Wildlife Management

Outdoor Adventures is a fun and exciting co-ed physical education course. Students are taught life-long skills by using integrated curriculum of science, math, writing, critical thinking skills, and computer technology. The focus is on outdoor activities such as: archery, orienteering, survival skills, trip planning, angling, tackle crafts, hiking, backpacking, camping, outdoor cooking, conservation/environmental issues and certifications through the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD). On campus activities include: archery, survival skills, trip planning, tackle crafts, and orienteering.

Colleyville Heritage High School is very fortunate to be able to offer this course. The Dallas Ecological Foundation (DEF), the charitable non-profit 504 (c)(3) organization under IRS regulations, proudly sponsors this outdoor adventure program in over 165 public schools. In 2010, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department gave the Outdoor Adventures education program the “Proud Partner” status. The DEF and TPWD’s goal is to get the youth, along with a parent, involved in outdoor activities. They are committed to each school having a quality program as well.

CERTIFICATIONS

The State of Texas has mandatory hunting and boating laws that require the student to successfully complete a course in these disciplines should they desire to engage in that activity. The fee for **Hunter Education is \$15.00** and the fee for **Boater Education is \$20.00**. At present, there is no fee for Angler Education. The TPWD furnishes the textbooks free of charge.

As Certified Instructor for the TPWD, the State of Texas gives us the power/authority to deny any student certification if they exhibit a negative attitude. This policy is well above any local school or school district policies. Certification is an option due to the small fees. All students whether they choose to become certified or not, will receive the same curriculum.

We will have a law enforcement officer bring UNLOADED AND INOPERABLE firearms to class to demonstrate actions and proper gun handling. At school, we do teach how to load and unload a firearm. We do not teach how to fire a firearm. At school, the students will only complete book work, which includes worksheets, quizzes and the state written examination.

As a parent, you have the right to request an alternative assignment for your child concerning any particular unit of instruction.

SAFETY

Safety of all students at all times is my number one priority. This applies both on and off campus. To date, there has never been a student injured while under my supervision and I intend to keep it that way. A very strict set of safety rules will apply and will be enforced during this course. I expect everybody to comply at all times. All student handbook rules apply to on and off campus activities. Please see SAFETY Rules at the end of this packet.

PARENTS

One of the major goals of this program is to provide opportunities for quality family time. Research clearly indicates in families that are actively engaged with their children, the children perform better at school both academically and behaviorally. Parents are a major key to the success of this program. I hope you choose to become highly involved.

DAMAGED EQUIPMENT

Each student will be responsible for the equipment that they use in class. Students will inspect it prior to leaving the classroom. The equipment should be in safe working condition. If there is any problem with any equipment, the student should immediately inform me.

If the equipment is damaged while the student is using it or in possession of it, then the student will have to pay to replace the piece of equipment. This applies to whether the cause was intentional or unintentional.

SUPPLIES

Pen, pencil, paper, notebook and pocket dividers.

GRADING

Grades are based upon daily assignments, unit test, participation and appropriate attitude. Grades will never be based upon the ability to perform a skill.

50% Participation

50% Tests

All missed assignments will be graded with the same point values and based on the CHHS handbook policies for make up work.

CLASS RULES

1. Follow all Outdoor Education Safety rules at all times
2. Be respectful
3. Be prepared
4. Be on time
5. Have fun

DISCIPLINE

1st Offense - verbal warning.

2nd Offense - conference with the teacher.

3rd Offense - trip to office and parent/teacher conference

Zero tolerance for Safety/Ethical violations. Any offense that is disrespectful to the teacher, students or content materials will not be tolerated. Any offense against safety procedures will cause a loss of grade, dismissal from the activities and possibly dismissal from the program. All Colleyville Heritage High School Handbook rules will apply to all on campus and off campus activities.

DONATIONS

Time to clean out your garage or storage shed!!!! If you have any supplies or equipment that you would like to donate to our program, I would love to have them. I will not accept any item until it has been cleared through me. No guns, firearms, weapons, knives, broad heads, arrows, propane fuel, etc. Listed below are just a few items of interest but definitely not limited to:

Posters/Magazines

Fishing gear and tackle

Personal Floatation Devices

Decoys/Game calls

Camping gear/Tents

Hunter Orange items

Camouflage

Rope - various sizes

Large eye bolts

Fishing line

Anchors

Dutch ovens

Backpacks for hiking

I must emphasize, you must have permission prior to bringing the items to school for donation.



General Safety Rules

	1. Think Safety First		7. Fire and Open Flames: Keep hair and all clothing away from flames/heat source. No open toed shoes.
	2. Don't Know? Ask!		8. Projectile Caution: (Archery, Casting, Tackle, etc.)
	3. Know Emergency Responses		9. Eye Safety: During certain activities such as casting, always wear eye protection.
	4. Know What You are Working With		10. Sharp Object Safety (arrows, hooks, etc.)
	5. Follow All Safety Procedures.		11. NO firearms, ammo knives, broad heads, etc. will EVER be in the classroom at ANY TIME!
	6. Report Dangerous Activities or Situations		ALWAYS BE SAFE!

Communications

Teacher: Coach Willmann
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Due to the nature of this class, it is imperative that SAFETY is our number one priority. Please see SAFETY Rules. Horseplay cannot and will not be tolerated. The course is highly structured with expectations. All rules are designed to insure SAFETY at all times.

In addition to being safe, the classroom lessons are equally valuable to the students as I try to teach life long outdoor skills. This requires that your student pay attention, do their work and to remain on task.

I expect each student to show respect to fellow classmates, and equipment. I will also expect each student to follow all procedures outlined in the **Colleyville Heritage High School** student handbook.

Depending upon the nature of an infraction of the rules, you may or may not be contacted. The purpose of the below form is to allow you to know what is going on in the Outdoor Education / Adventure class.

Return the below part to the Outdoor Adventure teacher, _____.

Parent/Teacher Communication Form

Please feel free to contact me via email to expedite any matters that need addressing.

Parent Name	Email Address	Phone Number
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature _____