

# Canyon Country Discovery Center

Adventure • Education • Stewardship



Four Corners School of Outdoor Education



## Who we are

Since 1984, we have been committed to creating rich learning experiences about the natural elements and cultural features of the Colorado Plateau. The Canyon Country Discovery Center (CCDC) is a resource for science, mathematics, engineering and geography education about the Four Corners Region and offers a range of activities, both on- and off-site.



## Canyon Country Discovery Center

- Explore interactive exhibits in the Colorado Plateau Education Center that relate to science, nature, and local culture.
- Participate in educational activities inside or out on our 48 acre campus.
- Climb on the bouldering wall.
- Play musical instruments, climb on rocks or through tunnels, and dig in the sandbox in the Nature Playscape.
- Eat lunch or have a snack in our picnic areas.
- Observe objects in the night sky through our telescopes and observatory.



## Design your experience

Spend a few hours or a few days with us. Choose one or a set of activities to create your experience.



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## Adventure

### River, Camping and Archaeological Trips

**Location:** on and off-site

**Length:** 1-7 days



**Potential activities:** Hiking to archaeological sites, rafting the San Juan River, assisting in conservation activities, exploring the Colorado Plateau Education Center, scaling the bouldering wall, participating in educational activities, and discovering the night sky with our planetarium and observatory.

For more information visit  
[www.fourcornersschool.org](http://www.fourcornersschool.org)







## Field Trips

Visit the Canyon Country Discovery Center and choose between a variety of activities for your students.

### Colorado Plateau Education Center

Our interactive exhibits engage learners in a variety of science and nature concepts.



### Education Programs

Our education programs are standards-based and incorporate scientific and engineering practices. To make the content more meaningful to students in the area, programs relate to the Colorado Plateau. Program length is generally 40-60 minutes.



Climb to new heights on our bouldering wall.



Discover the nature playscape.



Explore the night sky with our telescopes.

## School Visits

If you cannot visit the Canyon Country Discovery Center, we can come to you.

Choose from a variety of our education programs which can be facilitated off-site. Our programs have links to the Next Generation Science Standards, Geography for Life: National Geography Standards, and the Common Core Standards.



Explore the Colorado Plateau night sky through our telescopes and/or explore the Universe in our portable planetarium.



The planetarium seats approximately 30 students and requires an open floor space of 21' x 21' with a minimum ceiling height of 11' (ideally 14').



Investigate the factors that affect erosion with our portable exhibit. This can include classroom activities for you to implement before or after our visit with the erosion table.



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## Teacher Professional Development

We promote understanding and appreciation of the Colorado Plateau through standards-based, interdisciplinary, experiential instructional approaches in grades K-8.

Our resources include:

- Curriculum resources, including assistance with pre and post lessons
- Traveling trunks
- Annual summer river trip
- Technical assistance for classrooms



### Teacher Professional Development Conference

**Date:** March 2-3, 2018

**Location:** Canyon Country Discovery Center

Plan on joining us for one of the best conferences in the Four Corners region for educators. Learn directly from experienced educators leading sessions on many diverse aspects of place-based learning.

To learn more please contact us at [info@fourcornersschool.org](mailto:info@fourcornersschool.org)





# Canyon Country Youth Corps

Canyon Country Youth Corps provides a unique opportunity to make new friends and grow personally and professionally while living, working, and having FUN in a beautiful outdoor setting. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.



Get PAID while:

- Learning job skills like fencing, trail building, and invasive species removal
- Networking with professionals at land management agencies
- Experiencing outdoor living
- Gaining leadership skills
- Developing your resume
- Having fun

## HOW TO APPLY

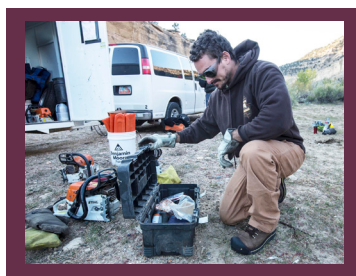
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## Citizen Science

Our outreach programs are geared toward getting people involved in environmental monitoring and habitat restoration work at the local level. This work also helps collect important data for larger monitoring and land management programs.



Come join us in our partnership with the Colorado Plateau Native Plant Program. Participate in plant propagation activities at our new greenhouse, monitor pollinators, collect seeds of native plants, or restore native plant communities by removing invasive plants and planting native vegetation.



Gather and submit data on the distribution and abundance of birds and other wildlife species through various projects such as Journey North and iNaturalist, or get a taste of environmental monitoring by collecting water quality data at local monitoring sites for the Utah Water Watch program.



## Book your Adventure

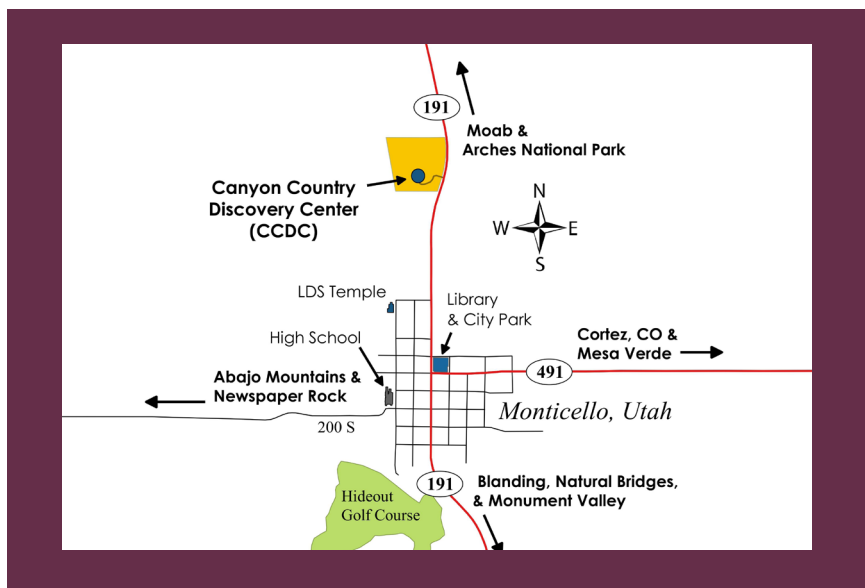
Field trips to the Canyon Country Discovery Center start at \$3/student  
School visits start at \$4/student for a minimum 20 students

Camping trips and citizen science rates are based on size of group and length of time. Please inquire!

For more information and to get a copy of our education program guide, contact us at [info@fourcornersschool.org](mailto:info@fourcornersschool.org)







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