

Virtual Field Trips: A No-Cost, Engaging Addition to Your Academic Programs

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Our Region

NEBRASKA MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM



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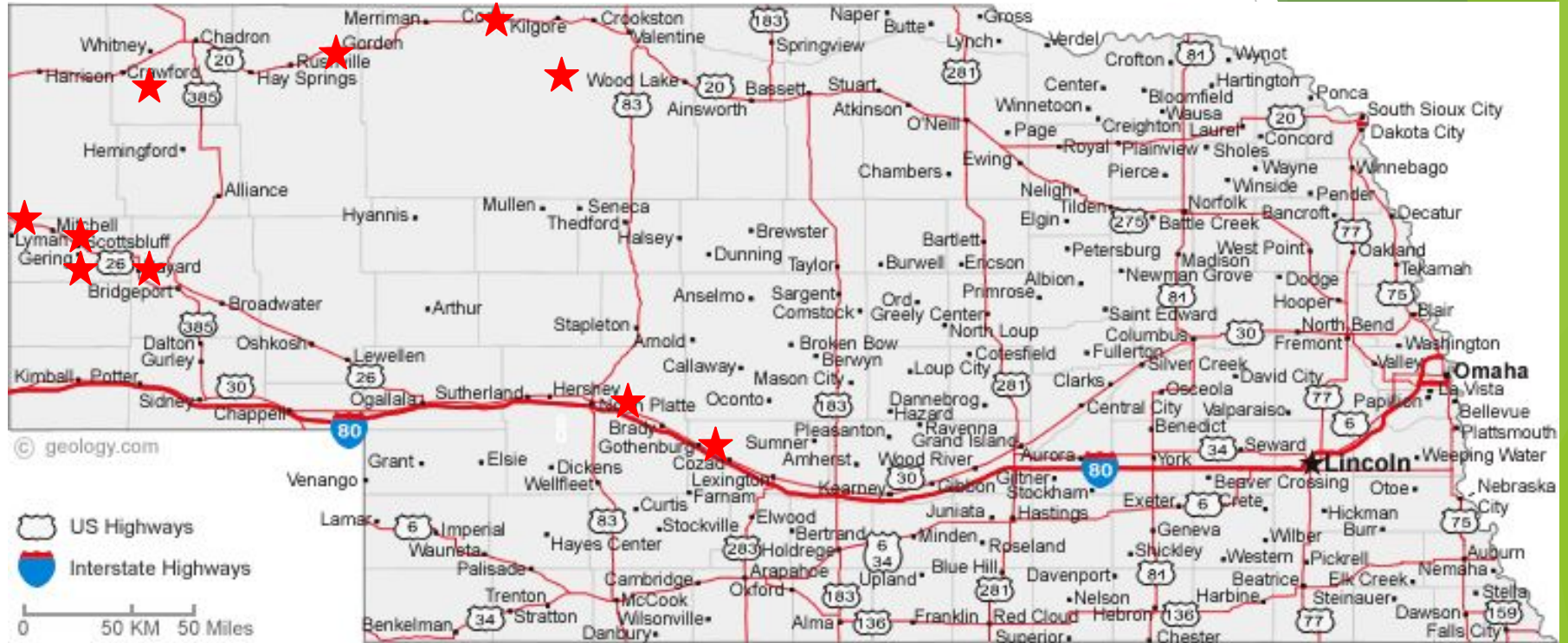
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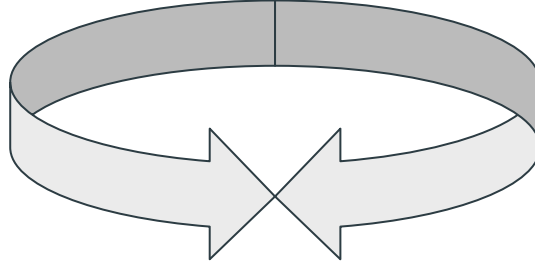
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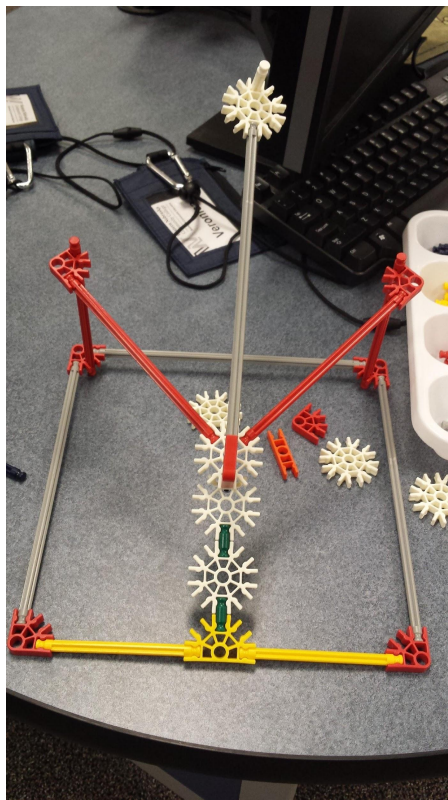




**Educating the
Whole Child**

Hands on Science

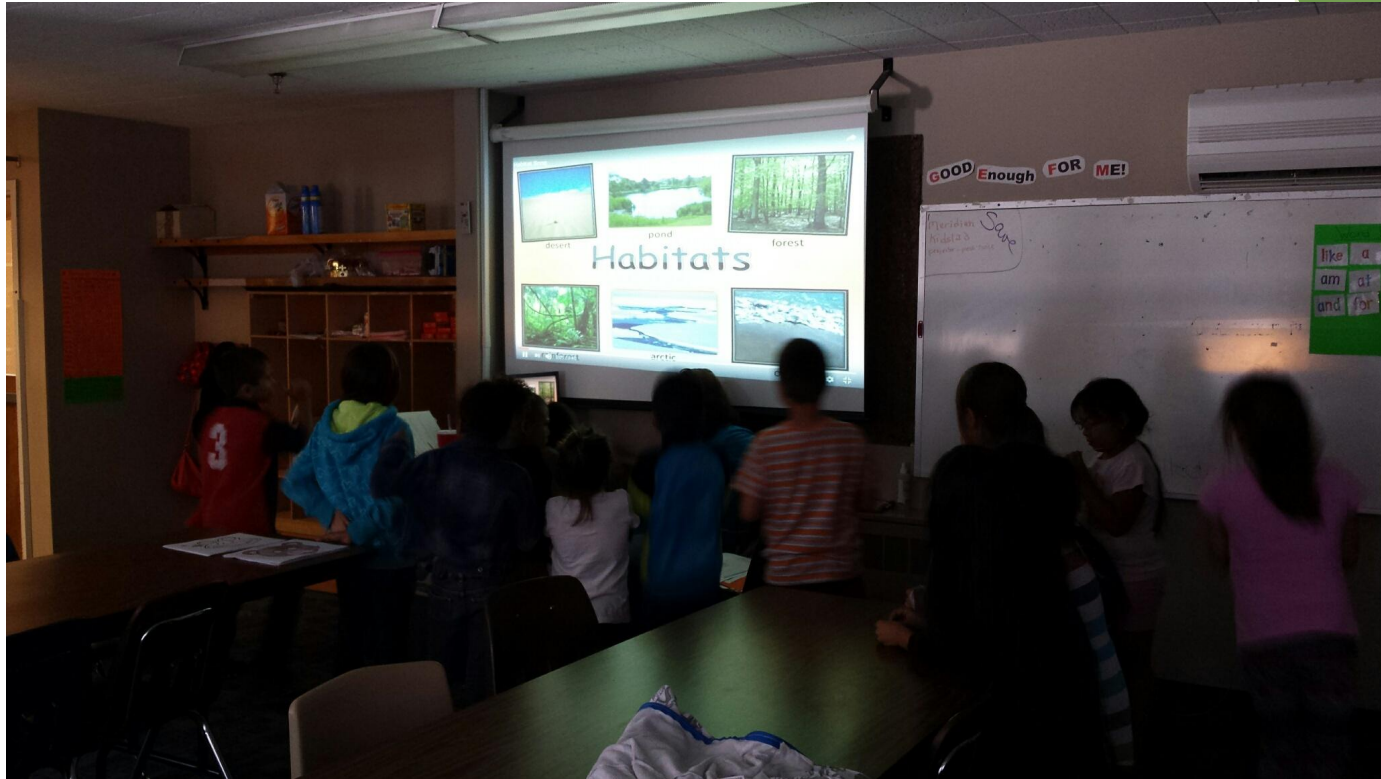




Virtual Field Trips



Thematic Units on Virtual Field Trip Topics







Partnership with Library Summer Reading Program

- Request book tubs on topics related to the virtual field trip of the week
 - Books at various reading levels
 - Before VFT - Read alouds, vocabulary development
 - After VFT - buddy reading and independent reading
 - Kids earn prizes for reading the books through the library community partners



Actual Field Trips



- Be creative - who could your partners be for transportation?
- local school district
- Grants for transportation:
- <https://www.nationalparks.org/our-work/campaigns-initiatives/every-kid-park>













Hands on Experiences: High Plains Science Adventure Camp & Mentor Program





Time for a Virtual Field Trip
with Ranger Alvis!

(Stop Share)

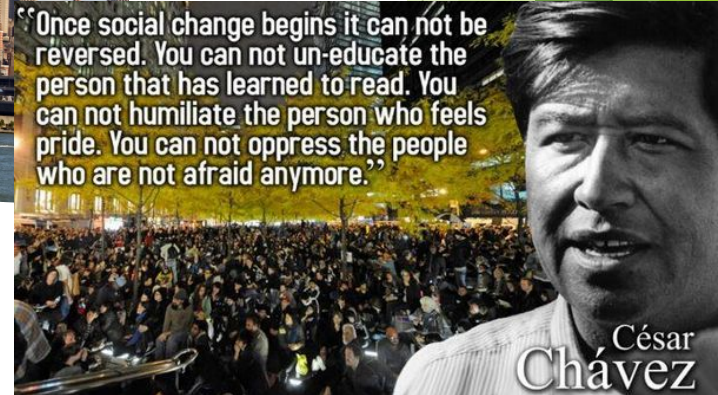
YOUR National Parks!



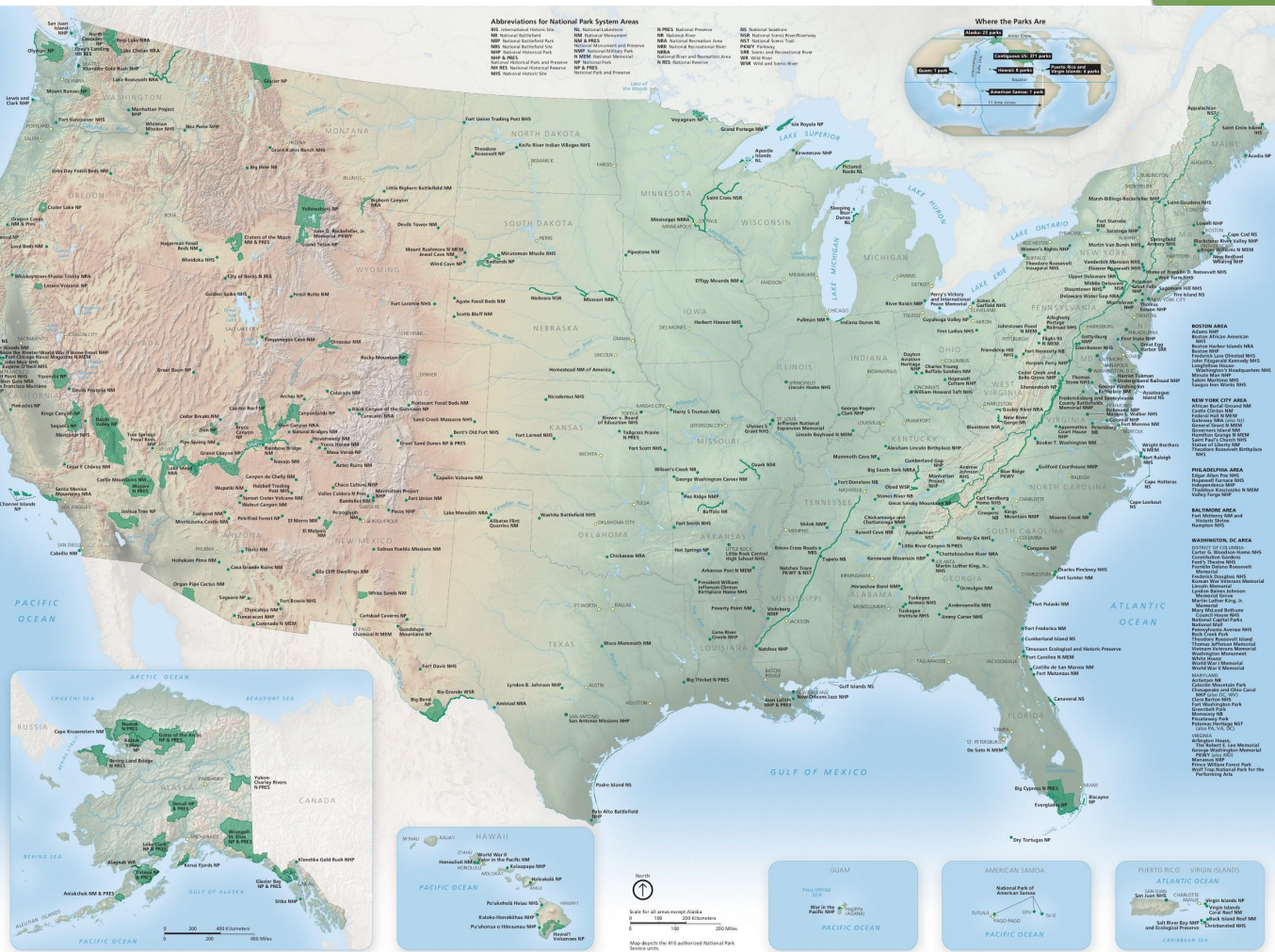
More than just natural wonders!



"Once social change begins it can not be reversed. You can not un-educate the person that has learned to read. You can not humiliate the person who feels pride. You can not oppress the people who are not afraid anymore."



César
Chávez



Abbreviations for National Park System Areas

AK Alaska
AR Arkansas
AZ Arizona
CA California
CO Colorado
CT Connecticut
DE Delaware
FL Florida
GA Georgia
HI Hawaii
IL Illinois
IN Indiana
IOWA Iowa
KS Kansas
KY Kentucky
LA Louisiana
MA Massachusetts
MD Maryland
ME Maine
MI Michigan
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MO Missouri
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NE Nebraska
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OH Ohio
OK Oklahoma
OR Oregon
PA Pennsylvania
RI Rhode Island
SC South Carolina
SD South Dakota
TN Tennessee
TX Texas
UT Utah
VA Virginia
VT Vermont
WA Washington
WI Wisconsin
WY Wyoming

Where the Parks Are



Scale bar showing distances in miles and kilometers.

Map Data by the U.S. Geological Survey





**Agate Fossil Beds
National Monument
in
northwestern
Nebraska**

Tips, Q&A on Partnering with the National Park Service <https://www.nps.gov/index.htm>



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Teachers

National Parks are America's largest classrooms.

Find lesson plans about these great places.

History, science, art, George Washington, biology, geometry...

Subject

Grade Level

Common Core

Select...



Select...



Select...



FIND YOUR
PARK



Celebrate the Centennial >

Guess who's having a birthday?! The National Park Service turns 100 years

Every Kid In a Park >

To help reach our next generation of park visitors and supporters, NPS

MORE EDUCATION MATERIALS

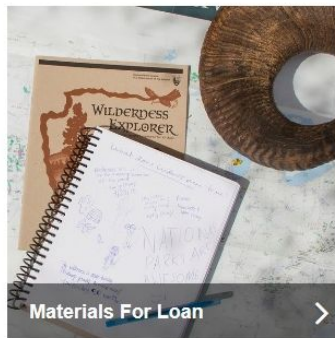
Easiest:

Call *YOUR*
national park
unit--
close or far
away!



Distance Learning

Take your students on a "virtual field trip" where they can talk with a ranger or go behind the scenes at a park...



Materials For Loan

Want to borrow some educational materials from a park? Check out a traveling trunk or other media for loan



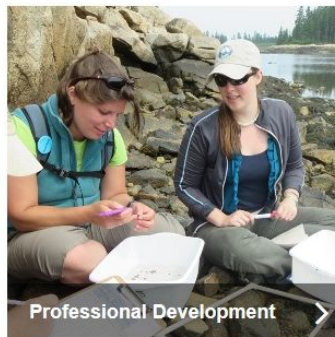
Field Experiences

Find information about Field Trips and Field Schools here.



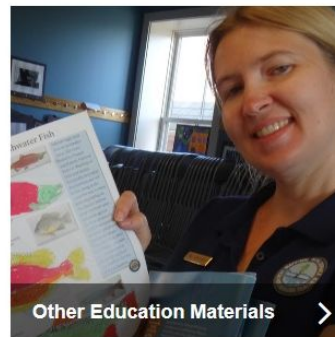
Classroom Materials

Includes: Primary Sources, science labs, and other in-class activities.



Professional Development

Find out about the Teacher-Ranger-Teacher summer program, teacher workshops, and more



Other Education Materials

Check out a range of other NPS educational materials here.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



Tech Essentials, Q&A with BJ



- Use a variety of video conferencing technologies
- USDA Rural Utilities Service grant program for Polycom hardware
- Zoom - robust desktop video conferencing tool



Distance Learning Etiquette

- Avoid “sit and get” - engage the participants
- Practice!! Stage your presentation.
- Use props.
- Use pre and post activities
- Communicate with the teachers.
- Have a plan on how students will interact.
- Test the connection ahead of time (audio & video).

Nebraska Virtual Field Trips

<http://nvis.esucc.org/VFTList.aspx>

Additional Questions?



More Information About Us

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/esu13MEP

<https://www.facebook.com/agatefossilbeds/>

Websites:

ESU 13 Migrant Education Program:

<http://www.esu13.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Departments%7CMigrant%20Education>

Agate Fossil Beds: <https://www.nps.gov/agfo/index.htm>

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