

Camping Trip Preparation Progress Report, May 15, 2014:

1. [Food & Cooking Gear](#) (create menus, shopping list, get pots/pans, and a few snacks):

Audrey, Lesley, Maya, Katy, Gabi, Elise

Please fill out this [form](#)

[Shopping list](#) (in progress)

We've accomplished figuring out that the dinner will be pasta with a sauce-bar, salad and French bread. We know what ingredients the class wants, like pesto, meat sauce, alfredo, etc. The to-do list for dinner is figure out how many people will eat what so we know how much of each ingredient to get. We also have a big breakfast planned, including scrambled eggs, pancakes, fruit, and parfait!

2. [Camping Gear](#) (list of who will bring tents, tarps, stoves, lanterns, and then test them):

Hunter, RyanS, Liam, Avi, Naya,Theodor

We have done a consensus on who has which supplies, who is going to share tents with who (still need to finish it), who is going to bring the needed supplies, such as stoves, tarps. (need to finish).

3. [Activities and Games](#) ([find](#) and teach new games/activities that match the env't/atmosphere):

Devan, Lukas, Russell, Alec, Oscar

List of daytime running games: CAPTURE THE FLAG, HIDE AND GO SEEK TAG, KICK THE CAN, CHAOS TAG, CAMOUFLAGE and MAFIA. There are also some evening circle-games such as

4. [Paperwork](#) (permission forms, trip itinerary, medication list, local map)

Prerna, Tuisku, Ali, Addie, Rara

We have the packets almost ready, the VTA class pass approved, directions done, and the budget done. We need to finish getting the medication list updated and then assemble the packets. The trip itinerary and campground map is completed. We need to collect permission forms, only 7 people have turned them in. We also have the campgrounds reserved.

From Prerna: Just a gentle reminder that I need to know whether your child's medications have been updated since Yosemite. Even if they haven't, I am hoping for a confirmation email. Please email me ASAP at Prerna.agarwal15@mydiscoveryk8.org

5. [Naturalists & Astronomers](#) (learn about the plants, animals, soils, and stars that we'll see)

RyanC, Kinsey, Luka, Alec

We are creating a scavenger hunt for the class to do on a nature hike we are planning, and we are also going to be like hiking guides for the class as we are exploring the area, so they can come to us to ask about a plant, animal, star or other nature related stuff. Kinsey is studying the animals, Ryan C is doing plants, and Luka is our "certified" astronomer. Alec is going to study a certain subject on all 3. When we are out on the deck at night, Luka can explain about the stars and constellations we will see. We are on track and will very probably be done on time.

6. Transportation (bus/train schedules, VTA Class pass, parent drivers)

Chris

We will be taking public transit on this trip and two parents are driving the gear to us in the afternoon. I've gotten a "Class Pass" from VTA which gives us free bus and light-rail rides on Tuesday (we will still have to pay for the highway 17 express bus and the buses in Scott's Valley, which is \$14 total). One possible problem concerns the unpredictability of how full the highway 17 Express bus will be -- Sarah and I have both talked to drivers on the route and received conflicting messages about whether or not a typical mid-day mid-week trip would have room for our group of 28. I called customer service and they are looking into the possibility that they create a special trip just for our group!

Update (5/16) -- the most recent info is that we won't get a special trip. So, to guarantee that our group gets room on the bus, we will embark at the beginning of the route, at San Fernando and 7th streets, at 1:30 (itinerary to be updated).

