OVS Outdoor Education 2019/2020 Trip Offerings

September:

- **Surf overnight September 13th - 14th** base camping at Refugio or Emma Wood State Park, and working on water skills. Surf / Sup / Bodyboarding. Fun in the water.

- **Stargazing / Hiking Mt. Pinos - September 21-23**
  Students will join Mr. Sittig to explore and geocache among Ventura county’s highest elevations by day and explore the sky at night. This trip will be a great opportunity for exploration of some great trails through the pine-forested peaks close to home.

- **Rock Climbing in the Sespe - September 22-23**
  Students will base camp at Wheeler Gorge campground and spend the first day climbing in Wheeler Gorge. Day 2 we’ll venture up into the sespe to give it a go on the classic trad route of Sespe Wall.

October:

- **Sierras Backpacking Trip - October 8-10th** Students will head into the Domeland or Golden Trout Wilderness for 4 days on the trail at altitude in the Sierras. High mountain lakes and running streams will contrast with some the Sierras taller peaks as backdrops.

- **Yosemite National Park Basecamp exploration October 20-23** spuds are headed back to the valley to explore the trails in and around yosemite valley. Base camp will be in the valley floor with on night of backcountry camping.

- **Pine Mountain Weekend Excursion  Bouldering / hiking / stargazing TBD**

November

- **Backpacking Santa Rosa Island November 1-3** [additional cost to student for boat ticket] On this trip, students will visit the more remote Santa Rosa Island, and participate in beach exploration and hiking through some magnificent landscapes, including the legendary Torrey Pine forest and the stunning Lobo Canyon

- **Rock Climbing in the Eastern Sierras - Alabama Hills November 8-10th**
  This is a Sport and trad climbing mecca. Endless routes on awesome rock to test all ability levels. New to climbing? Not to worry, very beginner friendly. Must attend at least 3 rope L.E.A.P sessions to join.

- **Upper Campus / Lower campus combined rock climbing adventure**

December

- **Mountain Biking Sycamore Canyon December 6-8**
  OVS Students will have the opportunity to ride mountain bikes on many of the numerous paths and trails in the Sycamore Canyon Complex. Beginners Welcome. Extra free for Bike Rental required

- **Backyard backpacking trip** Students will get to explore the extended backyard of OVS campus. No buses, no vans, no problem. This trip needs no transportation as students will leave campus on foot headed for the Topa Topas with a base camp at White Ledge and a day hike to the summit.

January

- **Joshua Tree National Park Jan 26-28th** Climbing and hiking in Joshua Tree National Park.
- Local climbing day trip

February
- **Catalina Island Scuba and Backpacking / Marine Science** Students will tackle a section of the trans catalina trail and take part in a Scuba / Snorkel trip from Two Harbors. Base camp at Parsons Landing. Additional cost for scuba component.

- **Local Mountain Biking Weekend Excursion**

March
- **Mammoth Ski Trip -March 5th-8th** Powder enthusiasts and aspiring skiers will head up to the resort at Mammoth Mountain for 2 ½ days of downhill skiing.

- **San Onofre Surf Trip March 19th-21st** OVS water enthusiasts will travel a few hours south the surf at the famous breaks in San Onofre, CA. Other water activities will be available including stand up paddle boarding and bodysurfing.

- **Honors Whitewater Rafting Trip March 22-28**. We’re headed back to Utah, and will set off for a 4 day wilderness river trip on the San Juan River along the Southern Border of Bears Ears National Monument.

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- **Weekend Adventure Carrizo Plain National Monument**

April
- **Backpacking in the Sespe Wilderness - April 16-18** Students will venture into the Sespe Wilderness for an adventure along the Sespe Creek Canyon. Exploring some great swimming holes and uncovering some amazing geology very close to campus.

- **Kern River Rafting April 23rd-25th** OVS students will travel to one of the closest drainages within the Sierra Nevada Mountains and will spend two days whitewater rafting. This trip will be run through Kern River Outfitters, a licensed professional guiding service based in Kernville, CA, and requires an additional per student charge of $125 to cover trip expenses. Students that wish to join this trip must have already met their camping requirement to be eligible for this trip.

- **Senior Trip to the Big Sur Coast April 16th-19th** Seniors will punctuate their time at OVS with a trip up to Big Sur. On the first night students will experience a Solo night camping out overlooking the rugged central coast. The next two nights will be base camping in the Redwood groves that dot the coast between Lucia and Gorda.

May
- **Junior Class Retreat and Senior Class Retreat**
- **Local Climbing**
- **Sespe Water Holes**