



TO: PARENTS (AND STUDENTS)  
FROM: DIANE DEALEY NEILL, FOUNDER AND COORDINATOR  
FORESTRY CHALLENGE  
RE: 2019 FORESTRY CHALLENGE

Thank you for your child's and his/her teacher's interest in the Forestry Challenge. The Forestry Challenge is a competitive forestry event for high school students. Four events are scheduled this fall for Wednesdays through Saturdays in Shasta County (September 25 to 28), Santa Cruz County (October 9 to 12), El Dorado County (October 23 to 26), and San Bernardino County (November 6 to 9). Participating students and their teacher/advisor will be away from campus for two school days, a Thursday and a Friday. While off campus, they will have a unique opportunity to learn about the forest.

To learn more about the Forestry Challenge, visit [www.forestrychallenge.org](http://www.forestrychallenge.org) where you will find the event schedule, rules, and a link to the host facilities in addition to photos and videos from previous events.

Please note that the registration fee varies by location, ranging from \$110 to \$200 per person, only because of the differing costs of the facilities, not because of any program differences. The fee is due on the start date of the event and covers food, lodging for three nights, and an event t-shirt. If you and/or the school are unable to pay the fee, your school can request assistance. No one has ever been prevented from attending because they did not have the funds.

Students are supervised at all times, and stay in cabins or dorms with an adult chaperone. All educational and social activities are conducted in a safe and fun environment. There will be an RN on staff who has advanced training in outdoor emergency care.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to e-mail me at [dianedealeyneill@gmail.com](mailto:dianedealeyneill@gmail.com) or call me at (530) 417-1960.