



**2023 EL DORADO FORESTRY CHALLENGE
STUDENT EVALUATION FORM
95 responses**

1. Did you use the website to help you prepare for the event? YES **82** / NO **13**
2. Did you meet with a forester before coming to the event? YES **66** / NO **29**
3. About how many hours did you spend preparing? 0 to 2 **18** 3 to 5 **31** 6 plus **46**
4. Please rate the following parts of the event:

Field Training	EXCELLENT 34	GOOD 44	FAIR 17	POOR 0
Focus Topic/Data Collection	EXCELLENT 41	GOOD 37	FAIR 17	POOR 4
Field Testing	EXCELLENT 31	GOOD 45	FAIR 15	POOR 2
Food	EXCELLENT 18	GOOD 37	FAIR 30	POOR 10
Accommodations	EXCELLENT 33	GOOD 44	FAIR 16	POOR 1
Career Development	EXCELLENT 31	GOOD 44	FAIR 14	POOR 2
Rec Activities	EXCELLENT 68	GOOD 26	FAIR 1	POOR 0

5. What was your favorite academic part of the event and why?
Training 27 Testing 26 Data Collection 58 Ask A Forester 33
Presentations 12 Work Time 13

6. What was your favorite non-academic part of the event and why?
Challenge Course 44 Campfire 15 Night Hike 17 Sleeping 33
Social/Other Schools 81 Go-Karts 77 Night Hike 17 Free Time 57

7. As a result of your participation, would you be more or less likely to pursue an education and career in forestry, logging, or natural resources? Please explain.
MORE LIKELY 58 LESS LIKELY 3 NO CHANGE 34
8. If you answered "No Change" on the last question, is it because you are already interested in a career in forestry, logging, or natural resources? YES **39**/ NO **21**

9. Please provide a one sentence “testimonial” about the Forestry Challenge:

I had such a great time here at Forestry Challenge, I was surprised how much we got to learn over these few days and I will never forget all the experiences we had, including data collecting on Dr. Taylor's property!

I loved everything that had to do with this! I physically can't think of a better way to spend a couple days out in the forest in the wonderful Leoni meadow! The learning experience was second to none and I loved talking and being around like-minded people my own age

The forestry challenge is a good way to gain career experience in forestry by working with experienced personnel to create a plan of action while also having a fun time through the several outside experiences available.

I had an amazing time at Forestry Challenge 2023 being out in nature and learning so many new skills (how to use tools and the steps to forest management) from the super kind Registered Professional Foresters and other staff. I enjoyed the training and learned valuable skills.

The forestry Challenge was such an unexpectedly amazingly and enriching experience, I learned so much and talked to so many valuable people, I gained a unforgettable experience that made an academic endeavor genuinely exciting.

I have had a truly unique experience field testing and just working on this kind of project, truly something I will always remember from my senior year.

As someone who's never done any sleep away camps or events, I'm so thankful the 2023 Forestry Challenge was so enjoyable, fun, comfortable, and welcoming.

The El Dorado Forestry Challenge was a great opportunity for students like me to encounter raw experiences in forestry in real time while learning about forest conservation and even ourselves.

I loved the opportunity to get hands-on experience in a real-world situation.

The Forestry Challenge was a great learning experience with a wonderful staff, creating a very memorable environment!

This experience was deeply insightful and allowed me to expand my knowledge for forestry.

Getting the chance to learn with schools from across the state, in such a beautiful setting, was an amazing opportunity.

Very educational and insightful to all of the paths and careers in forestry.

It was a really cool opportunity that you can't get anywhere else and I'm grateful I could experience it.

I'm a returning participant. Forestry challenge is an incredible all immersive experience that plunges you into the subject. It's a whirlwind but a unique and powerful experience.