



**2023 SANTA CRUZ FORESTRY CHALLENGE
STUDENT EVALUATION FORM
100 responses**

1. Did you use the website to help you prepare for the event? YES **65** / NO **35**
2. Did you meet with a forester before coming to the event? YES **56** / NO **44**
3. About how many hours did you spend preparing? 0 to 2 **17** 3 to 5 **43** 6 plus **40**
4. Please rate the following parts of the event:

Field Training	EXCELLENT 41	GOOD 47	FAIR 11	POOR 1
Focus Topic/Data Collection	EXCELLENT 35	GOOD 39	FAIR 22	POOR 4
Field Testing	EXCELLENT 41	GOOD 40	FAIR 16	POOR 2
Food	EXCELLENT 6	GOOD 18	FAIR 49	POOR 27
Accommodations	EXCELLENT 23	GOOD 46	FAIR 23	POOR 6
Career Development	EXCELLENT 36	GOOD 47	FAIR 15	POOR 2
Logging Sports Demo	EXCELLENT 72	GOOD 15	FAIR 5	POOR 0
Logging Tour	EXCELLENT 47	GOOD 27	FAIR 12	POOR 5

5. What was your favorite academic part of the event and why?
Training 34 Testing 27 Data Collection 13 Salvage Logging Tour 14
Foresters 4 Focus Topic 3 Teamwork 3 Presentations 1

6. What was your favorite non-academic part of the event and why?
Logging Sports Demo 37 Campfire 22 Night Hike 22

Social/Other Schools 17 Free Time 15 Food 5 Viewing Eclipse 3

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 53 LESS LIKELY 5 NO CHANGE 42

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 31/ NO 41
9. Please provide a one sentence “testimonial” about the Forestry Challenge:

I loved coming here and learning about forestry. It has made me more interested in pursuing this career. I hope to come again next year.

I love the Forestry Challenge because it reminds me that there are people who share the same interests as me. The sense of community gained from the Forestry Challenge is always rewarding.

I have been looking forward to the Forestry Challenge all year, I continue to meet the most amazing people here and it is genuinely the most fun I've had in months.

My experience of the Forestry Challenge made light of some of my false biases and how forestry is what we need for a healthy environmental future.

Regardless of how many times I have come, the Forestry Challenge teaches me so many new things that I use academically, as well as inspiring me for the future. My eyes have been opened to so many new things, especially living in the city where I'm not exposed to this type of thing.

The Forestry Challenge helped broaden my view on nature-related careers and got me excited for what a career in my major, wildlife biology, will be like.

This program gave me a new perspective and appreciation for the natural world that will stick with me for the rest of my life.

The 2023 Santa Cruz Forestry Challenge was one of the best weeks of my life.

Best. Trip. Ever.