



TO: Parents (and Students)
FROM: Diane Dealey Neill, Forestry Challenge Founder and Coordinator
RE: 2023 Forestry Challenge Information

Thank you for your child's and their 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 these locations:

- Shasta - September 27 to 30
- Santa Cruz - October 11 to 14
- El Dorado - October 25 to 28
- San Bernardino session 1 - November 8 to 11
- San Bernardino session 2 - November 15 to 18

Participating students and their teacher(s) 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 and explore career options.

To learn more about the Forestry Challenge, visit www.forestrychallenge.org and look for the "For Parents" page under each event tab, where you will find the event schedule, rules, and a link to the host facilities in addition to photos and videos from previous events.

The event is free to all students and teachers. We require a \$25 per student deposit that is usually paid by the school and due one week before the start date of the event. The deposit will be refunded in full if 75% or more of the students who are registered for the event are present at the event.

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 a medical provider 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 or call me at (530) 417-1960.