

# *Russian River State Parks Environmental Education Programs*



**Armstrong Redwoods SNR  
Austin Creek SRA  
Sonoma Coast SP  
Willow Creek Watershed**



Reservations required

Transportation scholarships available on request.

Information and registration available at:

**[stewardsofthecoastandredwoods.org](http://stewardsofthecoastandredwoods.org)**

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# *Inspiring Programs aligned to California Curriculum Standards*

## **Redwood Ecology (all grades)**

Offers a walk among the redwood giants in Armstrong Redwoods to learn about the Grove's complex web of life and variety of flora and fauna. Classroom pre-visits are available. Large groups may rotate through learning stations. Spring and fall are very busy times; reserve your space early, especially if you want a docent-led experience. Teacher's guides are available online. Year-round program.

## **Tidepool Education (all grades)**

Tidepools on Sonoma Coast are teeming with life. Everywhere you step there are fragile intertidal creatures underfoot. This docent-led program teaches students to explore tidepools without destruction. Reservations are essential for habitat preservation and student safety. Teacher's guide and resource materials are available. Classroom pre-trip visit with presentation and class activities may be possible. Generally takes place at Shell Beach. Available during minus tide days.

## **Watershed Education (6th - 8th grades)**

Offers hands-on learning about life cycles of salmon, healthy stream habitats, and why these threatened fish need our help. Includes pre-trip classroom visit, teacher's resources, and docent-led field trip on the Sonoma Coast in the Willow Creek Watershed. Learning stations include water quality and sedimentation, erosion, and macroinvertebrates. Students deduce whether this is a healthy stream.

## **Environmental Living Program (4th - 8th grades)**

One-day and overnight programs. Students travel back in time as one of the four cultural groups that have lived and worked on the Sonoma Coast. Students begin the journey at Shell Beach where they study geology, then hike the historic Pomo Trail to Red Hill where they rotate through watershed, redwood ecology, and plant classification stations. Overnight programs include camping at Pomo Canyon, a stewardship project, and a final ceremony. Both programs include a classroom visit, teacher's guide, docent-led activities, and staff support.

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