

Summer Expedition to Costa Rica

July 14 - 21, 2012

Sustainable Coffee from Community to Cup

Gain hands-on experience while you work to help the environment.

Engage in scientific fieldwork — even if you're not a scientist.

Learn how our consumer choices affect the planet.

Participate in a service learning project with community members, scientists, and your friends.

Immerse yourself in the language and culture of Costa Rica.

Learn about sustainable business practices.

Gain valuable experience that you can use on a college application.

Work to create a better world.



Participants conduct field research with environmental scientists and work directly with members of the community.



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Who is hosting the trip?

Inez Korff, a Spanish teacher in Cherry Hill for the past 15 years, will be the chaperone. Ms. Korff has been involved with the Earthwatch Institute as a teacher fellow in 2009 and 2011, when she participated in expeditions to British Columbia and Grand Teton National Park. Ms. Korff previously traveled to Costa Rica on a teacher fellowship in July, 2002 with the Hands Across the Water program sponsored by EIRC.

Can students outside the Cherry Hill Public School district join on this expedition?

Yes! I do need to meet the students, and they would be expected to join us for meetings and pre-trip discussions.

What is the total cost?

The cost for our expedition is \$1995, which includes the expedition, on-site transportation, meals and lodging, and emergency and medical insurance.

We have a couple of group flights on hold ranging in price from \$545 RT to \$745 RT.

Earthwatch is a public charity 501(c)(3). Your contribution to Earthwatch is tax-deductible; please consult your personal tax advisor for details.

Where do we stay?

We will be lodging in cabins of 2 – 3 students. Each cabin has a private bathroom as well as a common area.

How do I know if it is right for me?

Do you love the outdoors? Do you enjoy working as a team? Would you like to do something to help the environment? Are you ok with walking and tolerating the rain?

Earthwatch rates the physical demands of each of its expeditions. The *Sustainable Coffee of Costa Rica* expedition is rated “Moderate”, which implies walking less than 5 miles a day over varied terrain. Students and adults in average physical condition can handle an expedition of this type. You will be required to have a physical examination from a doctor before being accepted for the expedition.

What is the adult/student ratio?

Earthwatch Teen Teams have the full-time support of a Teen Team Facilitator, in addition to the Principal Investigators, Program Assistants, and your chaperone. The student/adult ratio is 6:1 or fewer.

How do I secure my place?

An initial deposit of \$500 will hold your place. The balance is due no later than 120 days prior to our departure. More details on payment will be forthcoming.

How can I get more information?

Check my e-board: ikorff.cherryhill.site.eboard.com for links to more information.

Project description: http://www.earthwatch.org/exped/chandler_teen.html

Project briefing:

http://www.earthwatch.org/Briefings/tarrazuteen_briefing.pdf

I am available by email: ikorff@chclc.org and will be happy to speak to parents over the phone to answer questions.

Please come to an evening information session hosted by James Fry, of the Earthwatch Institute, on Thursday, January 26, 7pm at Cherry Hill East.