

Cahaba Environmental Center PRE-TRIP QUESTIONNAIRE

At the CEC, we are your partners in education. We want our programing to meet you and your students' needs. The following questions provide us with a deeper understanding of your school/group's specific goals for attending the CEC so that we can tailor our program accordingly. **Please return this completed form at least 2 months before your arrival.**

Section One: General Information

Contact Information:

School/Group Name: _____
 City/State: _____ County: _____
 Grade(s) Attending: _____ Dates Attending: _____
 Lead Teacher Name: _____
 Lead Teacher Cell Number: _____ Email: _____

Participant Information:

STUDENTS: # of boys: _____ # of girls: _____ TOTAL # of STUDENTS: _____
 *ADULTS: # of men: _____ # of women: _____ TOTAL # of ADULTS: _____
 *Please indicate ALL Teachers & Chaperones in the Adult numbers TOTAL #: _____

Transportation Information:

School/Group Transportation to our site:
 Bus Car/Van
 Type of Transportation School/Group will have through stay at the CEC (for emergency use):
 Bus Car/Van
 Arrival Time: _____ Departure Time: _____

School Information:

Please check all that apply for your school/group:

<input type="checkbox"/> Public School	<input type="checkbox"/> Elementary School	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban
<input type="checkbox"/> Private School	<input type="checkbox"/> Middle School	<input type="checkbox"/> Suburban
<input type="checkbox"/> Home School	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input type="checkbox"/> Rural
<input type="checkbox"/> Charter School	<input type="checkbox"/> Year-Round School	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____

Student Needs:

How would you rank your students' comfort level with the outdoors? (Please circle one)

1	2	3	4	5
Uncomfortable			Very comfortable	

How would you rank the general academic level of your group of students? (Please circle one)

1	2	3	4	5
Below grade level				Above grade level

What specific student needs (such as physical needs or limitations, social/emotional or behavioral needs, learning needs, etc.) should we know about? (If possible, please include student names):

Section Two: Customizing Your Experience

For information on the CEC's curriculum framework and guide, please see page 8.

Areas of Study:

Areas of Study provide the curricular focus for your students' experience. Please choose one:

- Cahaba Connections (science-focus)
- Cahaba Cultures (social studies-focus)

Canoeing Option:

Canoeing is not guaranteed due to varying weather and river conditions. Please express your level of interest in canoeing on the Cahaba River while at the CEC:

- Interested in canoeing
- Not interested in canoeing

Tracks:

Choose the track emphasis for your experience. Elements of all tracks are present in every CEC multi-day experience. Please select one:

- Community Building
- Scientific Practices
- Field Journaling
- Survival Skills

Evening Programs:

Please select 2 evening programs for 3-day programs, 4 evening programs for 5-day programs:

- Night Hike
- Town Hall
- Campfire
- Culture Shock
- Science Symposium (only with Scientific Track)

Section Three: Connecting to the Classroom

To help our program meet your desired outcomes for this experience, please rank the following goals from 1 (highest priority) to 5 (lowest priority). It is okay if there's a tie!

- _____ Personal Growth in Students
- _____ Group Bonding
- _____ Educational Content
- _____ Comfort in the Outdoors
- _____ Stewardship/Responsible Environmental Behavior

How do you plan to prepare your students for their experience at the CEC? Will your students be reading any books or studying any concepts or vocabulary in school that connect with the curriculum or experience at the CEC?

Is there anything else we should know to better work with your students? For example, your school's teaching philosophy, local environmental issues, or student involvement in any community projects.

(3 day programs) For pre- and post-trips, please list your top three date choices for each visit, beginning at least two weeks before and two weeks after your visit to the CEC.