

## Devil's Lake Backpacking Trip Itinerary

August 11 – 15, 2014

10 – 12 year olds

### **Monday, August 11** – Drop off and pick up at Monona Campus

Get to know each other and go through gear to pack the backpacks. Break in packs on a hike, practice setting up tents and hanging the bear bag. Go over meals and pack trail mix.

### **Tuesday, August 12** – Drop off at Monona Campus (See you Friday!!!)

Load bus and travel to Ice Age Trailhead on Hwy DL (see map below for exact location). We will be hiking on the Ice Age Trail from here to the group campsite on the south shore of Devil's Lake State Park. Campers will carry gear in backpacks and food will be delivered to campsite to reduce pack weight. Tuesday night we will be setting up our "base camp", which we will camp at for the duration of the trip.

### **Wednesday, August 13**

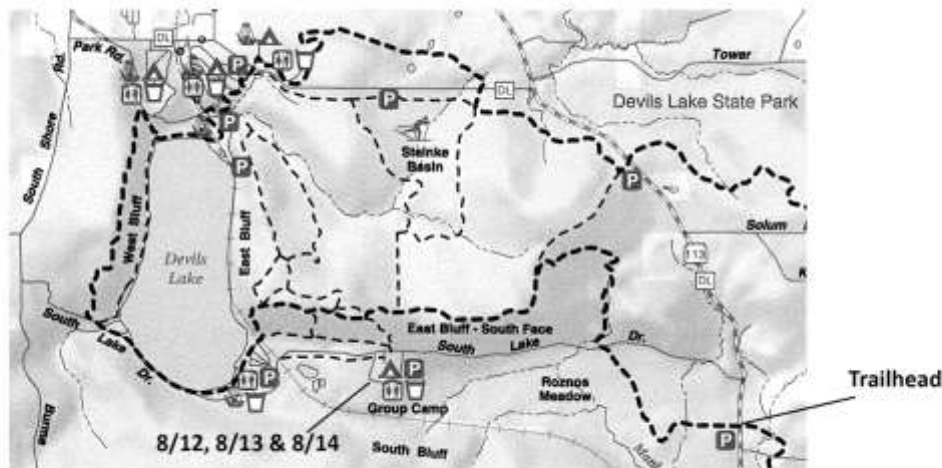
We will use our day packs and hike along the West bluffs to the North Shore of Devil's Lake, where we will have lunch, go swimming, and hang out by the lake before hiking back to base camp.

### **Thursday, August 14**

We will use our day packs and hike along the East Bluffs, visiting the Devil's Doorway. We will hike along the East Bluffs and return along the East woods trail back to base camp.

### **Friday, August 15** - Pick up at Monona Campus

We'll pack up and hike back out of Devil's Lake State Park, back towards Hwy DL. We'll plan to meet our bus at the same spot we were dropped off on Hwy DL at 1:30pm and head back by bus to ALNC. Once back at ALNC, we'll unpack our gear and get things cleaned up and be ready for parents to pick up by 4:00pm.



### **Severe Weather Plan:**

Each day, we will be staying in the group camp of Devil's Lake that has shelters. If needed, we will take shelter in these areas in case of severe weather. If out on the trails when severe weather strikes, trip leaders are trained and will go over trailside procedures with all of the campers and safely take shelter where available. They will assess the weather every day and delay departure or change plans as needed. The trip leaders have weather radios with them as well as cell phones.