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Riverbend Montessori Students Explore Grand Teton National Park

7 4th-6th grade Students Spend a Week Exploring the Outdoors and Science at Teton Science Schools

Jackson, WY –Seven elementary school students traveled from Sugarland, TX to Jackson Hole, Wyoming on April, 2017 for a week of outdoor learning and exploration. During the week, students were based out of the Jackson Campus of Teton Science Schools.

Lead by instructor Kendall Peacock from Teton Science Schools, the students snowshoed and hiked through Grand Teton National Park while studying the ecology and natural history of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem (GYE). The overarching goals of the experience were to immerse students in hands-on, scientific inquiry and to provide opportunities for them to develop a sense of connection to the natural world.

Throughout the week, students participated in activities and lessons designed to practice making acute observations, thinking critically, asking well developed questions while being guided by their instructor. As well, students learned about the science of track identification and the impacts of a winter environment of biotic communities. Students refined these skills while focusing their studies on the plant communities, wildlife populations, and geology within Grand Teton National Park.

The trip was accented by visits to the National Wildlife Art Museum, where students observed nature-inspired art and discusses the connections between art and nature. At the end of their final day in the field, students were given the opportunity to reflect on their week and celebrate their experience together.

For more information about Teton Science Schools' programs, please visit www.tetonscience.org or contact Joe Petrick at (307) 734-3715 or joe.petrick@tetonscience.org.



To view more pictures from Riverbend Montessori and other school's science adventures please visit and like our Facebook page, follow us on Instagram at @tetonscience or visit: [Riverbend Montessori's TSS SmugMug Album](#)

About Teton Science Schools

Teton Science Schools (TSS) was founded in 1967. Since that time TSS has been educating, training and inspiring students of all ages, pursuing the mission of connecting people, nature and place through education, science and stewardship. TSS enjoys a reputation as an innovative environmental education center, and the programs serve as models worldwide. Teton Science Schools' Kelly Campus, in Grand Teton National Park, serves as home for the Graduate Program, the Teacher Learning Center and a selection of residential education programs for youth. The Murie Center is also located within Grand Teton National Park in Moose, WY. This campus houses The Murie Center programming as well as workshops and educational programs. The Jackson Campus is home to the Pre-K through 12th grade Journeys School and an array of residential education programs for school groups, families and elders. Teton Science Schools' Wildlife Expeditions offers responsible year-round wildlife observation and natural history explorations throughout Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks. Located in Eastern Idaho, Teton Valley Community School serves students Pre-K through 6th grade.

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