



Get Outdoors!

GOISD Teacher In-Service

12:30-3:00 pm, Friday, Feb. 12, 2010
at Watersmeet School

11:30 (CST)	Lunch
12:30	Welcome & Overview by Jeff Mell, Ottawa National Forest
12:40	Barriers to Youth Recreating in the Natural World by Joan Chadde, Western UP Center for Math, Science and Environmental Education
1:00-1:45	Why & How I Take My Students Outdoors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helen Stenvig, teacher, CJ Sullivan Elementary School • Deidre Erbisch, Janet Larson, and Jean Dunstan, teachers, E.B. Holman School
1:45-2:00	Outdoor Opportunities: If I go outside, what will I do? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bob Wild – Porcupine Mountain State Wilderness Park, MDNR • Sue Trull – Ottawa National Forest • Jody Malone & Vicki Nelson – 4-H Ontonagon & Gogebic Counties • Michelle Miller – K-8 Outdoor Science Investigations Field Trip Coordinator, Western UP Center for Math, Science and Environmental Education
2:00-2:30	Small Group Sessions: Integrating Nature into Class Time Teachers will be divided into groups: Elementary by grade level, Middle and High School by subject areas: Science, Math, Social Studies, English, and respond to the questions below, recording their responses on newsprint pads. They will select one idea to share for the Action Plan.
2:30-3:00	Create an Action Plan by Jeff Mell – Ottawa National Forest Closing & Evaluations

Integrating Nature into Class Time (draft questions)

1. What can I teach outside?
2. How can outdoor time be integrated into the subject teach.
3. What are the unique opportunities that schools have to help children get more outdoor time?
4. What changes can be made in the next year to get more classes outdoors?