



# Parent & Guardian Information



## What is Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center?

Eagle Bluff is not a camp; we are an accredited, special function school with a staff of trained educators. This program is part of their school curriculum with the specific goals of:

- Fostering a sense of respect, stewardship, and community.
- Imparting life skills such as teamwork and problem-solving.
- Increasing environmental & academic literacy.
- Providing positive outdoor experiences.
- Sparking an interest in and appreciation for the natural world.

## What will my child do at Eagle Bluff?

Students are immersed in hands-on experiential activities. Day classes are three hours long and are chosen by your child's teachers. Example classes:

### Science:

Animal Signs  
Fungus AmongUs  
Earth Exploration

### Cultural History:

Settler Life  
Ice Age  
Oneota

### Adventure & Teambuilding:

High Ropes Course  
Snowshoeing  
Group Challenges

Students also participate in conservation programs such as the Eagle Eye and FoodWISE, which emphasize on conserving water, energy, and food.

## What are the facilities like?

About 75% of your child's experience will occur outside! Balancing that, we have indoor classrooms and activity areas, a large auditorium, nutritious food in our Dining Hall, and comfortable dorm rooms. Each individual dorm room houses eight students and has its own cubby storage, double sink, bathroom, and shower.

## What should my child bring?

A full packing list is provided on our website on the "Information for Parents and Students" page. [www.eaglebluffmn.org/outdoor-school/for-families](http://www.eaglebluffmn.org/outdoor-school/for-families)



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## Is Eagle Bluff safe?

Student safety is our utmost concern. All staff undergo background checks and they, as well as students, are expected to follow a basic Code of Conduct on respect for themselves, each other, equipment, and Eagle Bluff. School rules apply; violations of anything for which your school has a zero tolerance policy will result in the student being sent home.

- **Supervision:** Students are expected to be supervised at all times. All Eagle Bluff staff members wear name tags and all teachers and chaperones have identifying school identification.
- **Dormitory Cameras:** All hallways in the dormitory are fitted with cameras. This footage is available to schools on an as-needed basis.
- **Keypad Door Lock:** The dormitory is fitted with a keypad door lock a single entry door. All doors are locked 10pm - 6am; the only access during those hours through the keypad door. Door codes are only distributed to schools in residence and are changed weekly.
- **First Aid:** All Eagle Bluff staff are trained in CPR/AED/First Aid. We are located within a 10 minute response time from the local ambulance and 20 minutes by Mayo Clinic helicopter.
- **Medical Release Forms:** Please make sure that you have completed and signed completed your child's digital Eagle Bluff Medical Release Form before their trip. These forms include the opportunity to convey any special dietary, physical, behavioral, or medical needs.

## How can I contact my child who is at Eagle Bluff?

Eagle Bluff's main line is (507) 467-2437 and is answered 8am- 4:30pm M-F. Outside of these hours, you may reach our voicemail system. Voicemail is monitored regularly and messages delivered as soon as possible.

Please only contact your child in case of emergencies. If an emergency arises and you must contact a student during the night, the voicemail system will prompt you to enter an extension, to reach the on-site emergency staff.