



WOLF RIDGE
ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER

OUTDOOR SCHOOL AT WOLF RIDGE

TRANSFORMATIVE LEARNING IN NATURE FOR MINNESOTA STUDENTS (GRADES 4–12)

DID YOU KNOW?

Wolf Ridge is an **accredited outdoor school** serving students in grades 4–12.

Our programs are aligned with **state academic standards, Common Core, and Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)**—integrating:

- NGSS-focused science standards
- Hands-on learning with stewardship outcomes
- Social-emotional learning through team building

Students experience **3–5 day overnight Outdoor School programs** in our **2,000-acre wilderness classroom**, connecting classroom learning with hands-on experiences, strengthening social-emotional skills, and inspiring lifelong curiosity about the natural world.

Wolf Ridge is **Minnesota’s largest Outdoor School**, serving nearly **11,000 students each year** with **50+ outdoor education classes**.

WHY OUTDOOR SCHOOL AT WOLF RIDGE MATTERS

- Reduces stress & anxiety, boosts focus
- Builds confidence, teamwork, and resilience
- Strengthens academic learning through experiential education
- Creates lasting memories and friendships

BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS TO PARTICIPATION

Historic Tuition Aid

- \$840,000 secured for 2026—the largest in Wolf Ridge history—creating equitable access for all.

New Transportation Partnership

Wolf Ridge + Voigt’s Bus Service = affordable transformative learning

- Up to **40% off transportation**
- Coverage across the **Twin Cities & Greater Minnesota**

HOW WOLF RIDGE SUPPORTS OUTDOOR SCHOOL FOR ALL

A **new state law** ensures every student can access immersive outdoor learning. Wolf Ridge is proud to have been a leader in paving the way to make this become a reality.

The Wolf Ridge campus features:

- **2,000-acre private campus** on the North Shore of Lake Superior
- **22,000 sq. ft. Margaret A. Cargill Lodge**, a teaching tool for sustainable living and design
- The only Outdoor School in Minnesota able to host **single school grades of up to 700 students**
- **68-acre classroom on Lake Superior**
- **18 miles of hiking and ski trails**
- Multiple lakes and streams
- **Working organic farm** as an immersive classroom
- **Two indoor climbing walls & two outdoor ropes courses**

HOW SCHOOLS CAN GET STARTED

Inquire today: [wolf-ridge.org/programs/educators/k-12-class-trips](https://www.wolf-ridge.org/programs/educators/k-12-class-trips)

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