

OYC awarded \$2000 to the Jane Addams K-8 School for a 5-day stewardship program offered by NatureBridge in the Olympic National Park.



The program's sustainability curriculum focuses on integrated study units encompassing the biosphere, hydrosphere, lithosphere, and atmosphere. 7th graders participate in age-appropriate field studies around the campus. 8th graders do more advanced studies while camping out.

Students use the scientific to collect data, analyze their findings, and present their conclusions to the other groups. Students also compare their field analysis conducted on campus to those completed with the educators at NatureBridge. In addition, while away from their urban routine, students practice problem solving in groups and learn the benefits of teamwork.

NatureBridge is a nationwide organization, dedicated to educating youth about environmental awareness. This year they studied the temperate rainforest, its geology, and the Elwha River restoration project.

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