



Felix Ventures Foundation

Backpacking #2 / Round Valley and Mt. San Jacinto

Friday, June 26, 2026 / 5:30 am to Sunday, June 28, 2026 / 4:00pm

1. Trip Review
2. Itinerary
3. List of what to bring (Packing List)
4. 10 Essentials
5. Hiking Rules
6. FVF Policies and Contact Information

Permission Slips due-- Wed. June 24th @ 11:59 PM

You may take a picture, scan, or upload your PS and email it to fvfofficers@gmail.com
any issues text (626) 388-6123. All other registration forms email them to
andrea.chavez@felixventures.org

MANDATORY Pack Inspection (In person)- Thursday. June 25th from 3:30 pm to 5pm at WOHS

Please plan on the process taking about 30 min to 1hr. You will be getting your backpack, sleeping bag and ground pad.

Group chat: All attendees will be placed in a text group chat 1-2 days prior to the event/outing.
All drivers and adults will be required to attend a Zoom drivers meeting a day or two prior to the event/outing.

Itinerary

Friday, June 26th, 2026

5:30am: Meet up at school

- Load Gear
- 10 essentials & packing list check
- Count off
- Give drivers: Coffee, Maps, Flags, Roadside kits (Medical Folders to driver staff only)

6:00am: Leave school

- Drive to Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, 1 Tramway Rd, Palm Springs, CA 92262
- 8:30am: Arrive at Aerial Tramway



- 8:30-9:00am. Take Tram up the mountain.
 - Hike in: select a Lead and a Tail, assign time for the leader to stop the group.
- 2:00pm: Arrive at camp site
- Set up Tents, Designate sleeping areas, playing area, and kitchen area
 - Assign the first round of ventures responsible for making water. Rotate ventures throughout the trip
- 2:00pm-4:00pm: Free time/ lunch
- 4:00 to 6:00pm: Fire building and begin prepping for dinner
- 6:00-8:00pm: Dinner and cleanup
- 9:30pm: Quiet time/ sleep

Saturday:

- 6:00am: Wake up
- Hygiene
 - Get ready for the day.
- 6:30am: Prep and cook breakfast
- Tidy up camp and prepare daypacks
- 7:30am: Begin day hiking Mt San Jacinto. The route is 12 miles and strenuous. We will stop for lunch and take breaks along the way, but will take 6-7 hours of hiking.
- 3:30pm: Return to camp.
- 4:00 to 6:00pm: Fire building and begin prepping for dinner
- 6:00-8:00pm: Dinner and cleanup
- 9:30pm: Quiet time/ sleep

Sunday:

- 6:30am: Wake up
- Hygiene
 - Get ready for the day.
- 7:00am: Prep and cook breakfast
- 7:30am-8:30am: Pack up camp and prepare to hike.
- 8:30am: Begin hiking back to the tram.
- 11:30am-12:00pm: Take the tram down the mountain.
- 12:00pm 1pm: Drive to In and Out.
- 2:00pm-3:30pm: Drive to WOHS
- 3:30pm-4:00pm: Gear cleaning.



Packing List

For Camp:

- 1 Underlayer long pants & Shirt
- 2 Activewear Shirts (Full or Synthetic Blend)
- 1 Outdoor Wear Long Sleeve Shirts (Full or Synthetic Blend)
- 1 Hooded Sweater or Fleece Sweater (Full or Synthetic Blend)
- 1 Water Resistant/ Proof Windbreaker Jacket
- 1 pairs of Athletic Socks
- 1 Pair of Wool/ Synthetic/ Synthetic Blend Sock (For Sleeping)
- 1 Extra Undergarments
- Shoes with Ankle Support

DAY PACK (will contain all of the following “Essentials”)

- 10 Essentials (see below)
- Small bowl, fork & spoon
- 1x Sack lunches for Saturday
- Optional: Camera.
- “Ten essentials” (See Ten Essentials List)
- \$10 for In and Out
- Toiletries (i.e. toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, face wash, lotion, pads, tampons, etc.)
- Chapstick
- Any required Medication
- Sunglasses
- Hat
- Plastic Grocery bags for trash
- Sunscreen/Sunblock **Mandatory**

Felix’s Ventures Foundation 10+ Essentials Checklist

When hiking away from your base for any significant amount of time or for any meaningful distance, you will ALWAYS have with you the following items:

-DAY PACK (will contain all of the following items)

- Water Bottle (Dishwasher Safe, 32 oz - 36 oz)
- Lighter FV \$1.00 / Waterproof matches / Waterproof match container
- Pocket Knife (A sharp, 3-inch blade max. length)
- 40-60 gal. Drum Liners / Construction trash bag (3-5 Mil. thick) 2 Required **FVF \$.50**
- Nylon Cord / ParaCord (300-500 lb tested) 50ft Required-100 ft max. **FVF \$3.00**
- Duct Tape (Tip: roll onto a pen, lighter or hiking stick) 6 ft Required **FVF \$.75**
- Whistle **FVF \$1.50-\$2.00**
- Signal Mirror (Tip: Makeup Compact)



- Travel size First Aid Kit *FVF \$3.00*
- Emergency Foil Blanket *FVF \$1.00*
- Beanie (Recommend: Synthetic Blend or Wool) *FVF \$1.00-\$2.00*
- Gloves (Recommend: Synthetic Blend or Wool)
- Windbreaker / Rain Jacket
- Emergency Food (Check Lunch Idea Handout)
- Wrist Watch (not your cell phone)
- Flashlight (bring extra batteries)
- Compass*
- Topographic Map*

*= NOT REQUIRED BUT RECOMMENDED

Hiking Rules:

HEAD AND TAIL: When hiking, always assign a HEAD and TAIL. The TAIL should be the FASTEST hiker while the HEAD should be the SLOWEST hiker. No one passes the HEAD and no one falls behind the TAIL. This makes sure that everyone is together and no one gets left behind.

HEAD: As the HEAD you are the leader of the hike and must always stop at...

1. Fork in the Road
2. Stream Crossings
3. Assigned Time

TAIL: As the TAIL you are the one responsible to make sure everyone else is keeping up. You will be the one to alert everyone if someone is injured and take care of them.

ASSIGNED TIMES: Keep assigned times to 20 min to 30 min intervals and remember to drink water at every step. Stay on the trail. Do not cut the trail.

Campground Rules: Camping is a chance to get away, but in most cases, you're still surrounded by other people. All those people are looking to enjoy their vacation time as well. The following rules are a guide on how to be respectful to your neighbors and the land you are camping on:

- If you are staying at a campground, you must camp only in those places specifically provided or marked.



- Don't abuse the environment just to get a good photo or to take shortcuts. Trampling sensitive vegetation, vandalizing rocks or trees destroys the park's beauty and natural features and violates the No Trace Left Behind.
- Don't feed wildlife. They can pass disease to humans, and can even be aggressive if they become accustomed to getting handouts from campers. To ensure the safety of you and your group, please keep a safe distance.
- Respect Quiet Hours (10:00 PM – 6:00 AM)
- Collecting is not allowed. Everything is protected within your national park, including rocks, animals, and pine cones. Please leave them where you find them.

FVF Policies Review

LOST AND FOUND POLICY: Anything left behind on trips will go to the Felix Ventures Foundation Lost and Found. You have 7 days to claim your things before it is donated to the Salvation Army.

ELECTRONICS POLICY: No use of Phones, iPods, or Gaming Devices allowed DURING any FVF activities. Phone use will ONLY be allowed in case of emergency. iPods or any type of music player will not be allowed for use during the trip.

DAMAGED EQUIPMENT/LOSS POLICY: We have checked all of our equipment. (What's broken, fixed, and etc.) You must return given equipment in the same condition it was given to you. You will be charged for returned damaged equipment.

72 HOURS CANCELLATION POLICY: If for any reason you are no longer able to attend this trip, you must let one of the staff and or officers in charge know at least 72 hrs. before the trip. If you fail to do so, you will be penalized with negative points and will automatically be placed in the alternate list for the next trip.

EQUIPMENT CLEANING: All student attendees are required to remain after each trip to assist with equipment cleaning. Students must receive prior approval from a director if they need to leave before cleaning is completed. Any student who does not participate in equipment cleaning will be required to complete one (1) hour of volunteer service at a later, pre-designated time set by FVF.

CLEANING CAR POLICY: After all Felix Ventures activities. Venturers are required to clean (vacuum) the vehicle used for the activity. You cannot get picked up until it is DONE.

PERMISSION SLIP: First come first serve basis! Must have all your paperwork turned in!



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