Off-property trips

The Mountain Trail Outdoor School expands beyond its 1400-acre campus with trips to natural and cultural attractions in the area. Schools can enhance their experience by taking advantage of all that Western North Carolina has to offer.

- For 8th grade groups or older, MTOS offers Expeditions in Pisgah National Forest. Students hike, climb and camp for one or more nights while they build positive community and learn Leave No Trace principles.

- Younger groups and those who don’t want a multi-day expedition can also enjoy Pisgah National Forest. Day trips include hikes to the stunning overlook at John Rock, feeding fish and visiting the aquarium at the Fish Hatchery and touring the Cradle of Forestry.

- The Nantahala Outdoor Center provides qualified and safe commercial guidance for MTOS groups to enjoy Whitewater Rafting on the French Broad, Nantahala or Nolichucky rivers. Full and half-day trips are available.

- School groups can add trips to the Biltmore Estate for educational tours of America’s largest home and its French-style gardens.

- Down the road from the Mountain Trail Outdoor School is the Carl Sandburg Home, which boasts the Pulitzer Prize-winner’s homeplace, museum and dairy goat herd.

- Groups can also choose to visit Chimney Rock State Park for hiking and a magnificent view of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

*Some off-site programs require additional fees. Please contact us to inquire about pricing.*