

# Letter: Thankful for outdoor education volunteers

To the community,

The students of Lake Tahoe Unified School District and Zephyr Cove Elementary were able to participate in the Outdoor Explore and Children's Forest events thanks to the help of many amazing partners during the past few weeks.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all who support these wonderful programs. The Lake Tahoe Education Foundation graciously funds our programs through a grant program and we would not be able to do this without their help.

Students are able to learn more about their environment and connect with nature in new and exciting ways, learn about the ways of the Washoe and founding families, and be introduced to various public lands around Lake Tahoe, thanks to the support of our many South Tahoe Environmental Education Coalition partners and volunteers.

For each of these events, students get to rotate through four different stations and enjoy eating lunch in beautiful locations – Nevada Beach and the Tallac Historic Site.

Our deeply felt thanks go to the U.S. Forest Service, Sugar Pine Foundation, TRPA, TRCD, League to Save Lake Tahoe, South Tahoe Humane Society, STPUD, TERC, TINS, Tahoe Heritage Foundation and several other amazing volunteers (Alicia, Bonnie, Daryl, Frank, Leslie, Marie and Rick). Thank you for all that you do for our students.

With deep gratitude,

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