



K-12 field trip programs Winter 2025

Porcupine Mountains Visitor Center

To register for a field trip, email park interpreter Katie Urban at UrbanK@Michigan.gov or call 906-885-5275.

Winter Survival

Bring your sixth through 12th grade students to the Porcupine Mountains to learn important winter survival skills. In this two-hour program, we will discuss:

- How to dress for winter survival.
- Where to go if you get lost in the woods.
- How to build a fire in an emergency.
- How to build an emergency winter shelter.

Winter Tracks

Get your first through 12th grade students outside and exploring this winter at Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park. This two-hour program will teach your students which animals are in the park during the winter, what they are up to and where we could find them. Included is a short, snowy walk on the packed trails to see if we can find tracks in the snow.

Snowshoe Hike

Get out and lace up your snowshoes to explore the fresh snow in the Porcupine Mountains. We will take your sixth through 12th grade students on an off-trail snowshoe hike to the frozen shores of Lake Superior. Along the way, we will talk about some of the plants and animals you may find in the park. This will be a 1-mile loop hike. A limited number of snowshoes are available for students to borrow, so schools are encouraged to bring their own.

These programs will take place mostly outside. Students should be dressed appropriately for the weather and should be prepared to go off the trail for hands-on activities. If any students need extra accommodations, we can adjust programs as needed.

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All programs are free unless otherwise noted; however, a Recreation Passport is required for entry to the park.

