Student Behavior Expectations

At NatureBridge we want you to have a great experience exploring your national parks! School chaperones and professionally trained NatureBridge staff are here to support and keep you safe 24 hours a day. At NatureBridge, we support all participants’ physical and emotional safety and provide culturally responsive and inclusive programs. The agreements below will ensure that everyone has a safe and enjoyable time on their NatureBridge program.

All participants agree to:

● Respect other participants, their privacy, and their property.
● Respect the NatureBridge campus and be a steward of Yosemite.
● Not discriminate against people because of their race, culture, religion, sexual orientation, gender, language, talents, or special needs.
● Not to cause physical or emotional harm to myself or any other person.
● Not to bring or use non-prescription drugs, cigarettes, weapons, and/or alcohol at NatureBridge.
● Be on time, prepared (have suitable clothing and equipment), and to be an active participant in NatureBridge programming.
● Stay with my school group and be under the supervision of a chaperone at all times.
● Only enter and use my cabin/dorm/room; and refrain from entering other participant cabins/dorms/rooms.
● Be quiet and respectful in the evening and morning so that everyone can get enough sleep to participate and stay healthy.
● Keep food out of my cabin/dorm/room.
● Look out for the safety of myself and others and follow all safety directions.
● Follow the cell phone policy, of my school. If my school does not have a cell phone policy, I will follow the NatureBridge policy: cell phones should be set in airplane mode and used only for taking photos, video or specific school projects. I understand that student participants may not use cell phones in NatureBridge dorms, dining halls or bathrooms.

Student Behavior Support System:

If a NatureBridge staff member or school chaperone determines that a student is not following the above agreements, the following sequential steps will be taken with recurring misbehavior:

● Verbal warning and reminder about NatureBridge agreements.
● Behavior discussion with NatureBridge staff and school/group leader.
● A student/NatureBridge Behavior Contract is drafted and parent/guardian is alerted.
● Removal from program and/or sent home.