

Napa Valley Vine Trail – Outdoor Classroom Project TEACHER INTRODUCTION SHEET

What is the Napa Valley Vine Trail?

<u>The Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition</u> is a grass-roots nonprofit with a vision to build a walking/biking trail system to connect the entire Napa Valley, from the Vallejo ferry terminal to Calistoga.

Where is the Vine Trail Located?

The Napa Valley Vine Trail is located between Kennedy park in Napa and Madison Street in Yountville.

How can teachers and schools participate in the Vine Trail?

- The Vine Trail is a great way to do a field trip, physical activity, and a lesson simultaneously.
- The Vine Trail asked Napa Valley Unified School District teachers to create lesson plan ideas that teachers can easily personalize to their students and classroom needs. All lesson plans are available on the Vine Trail website for FREE.
- The trail is easy to access! Over 20 local schools (public/private/college) are within ½ mile of the trail (see list on second page).
- For those schools that are a little further from the trail, bus grants are available through EECNC: <u>http://www.napaenvironmentaled.org/bus-grant/</u>





Planning your trip

- Use the <u>map</u> to determine the section of trail you plan to visit.
- Determine if you will need bussing and where the pickup and drop off points will be.
- Decide whether lunch will be part of your trip and plan for sack lunches with minimum waste. Make sure to pack out all of the materials and trash you may bring.
- Be sure to bring sunscreen, hats, comfortable walking shoes, and water for you and your students out on the trail.
- Plan for emergencies by having a list of students with allergies, medical information, and a cell phone with you at all times.
- Review the history of the trail and the Ag Respect guidelines (below) with your students before you head out. Ag Respect is your roadside/trailside guide to enjoying our roads and trails responsibly–especially where working farms and trails are side-by-side.
- Have fun and be safe out on the trails...and enjoy our beautiful valley!



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Schools within 1/2 mile of the Napa Valley Vine Trail

Alta Heights Magnet School	New Technology High School	Silverado Heights Middle School
Bel Aire Magnet School	Northwood Elementary	Snow Elementary School
Justin Siena High School	Phillips Elementary School	St John Lutheran Elementary School
Kolbe Academy/Trinity Prep School	Pueblo Vista Elementary School	St. Apollinaris School
McPherson Elementary School	Redwood Middle School	Valley Oak High School/Horizons HS
Napa Community College	Salvador Elementary	Vintage High School
Napa Valley High School	Shearer Elementary School	Yountville Elementary