

August 15, 2023

Dear Seniors & Their Parents:

This letter outlines the general plan for our upcoming trip to central and northwestern New Mexico.

Each year Aldo Seniors make a 4-day trip through the state to visit, explore, and write about key places in New Mexico's turbulent history. In order to keep the price of our Senior Trip affordable—all while creating a memorable journey to key historic sites in our state--we will be camping, including Canyon de Chelly Campground and others.

Given the timing of the trip, students should dress in layers, as is our custom here in the arid, unpredictable Southwest. We will be sleeping in tents, cooking dinner and breakfast over an open fire, and packing lunches each day. Days are likely to be pleasant, nights cold. Incidentally, if students do not own tents, sleeping bags, or sleeping pads, the school loans such gear. Additionally, rest assured that I am working with the staff leaders of the trip to arrange an enriching and fun Halloween/Dia de los Muertos experience for the students.

Thank you, and please direct any questions to avery.jepson@aldostudents.org

Sincerely,

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