



SOL Saturdays

1st & 3rd of each month • Sept 2022 – May 2023

Welcome to a new year of SOL Saturdays! We are so pleased to expand our Saturday program, now offering sessions each 1st *and* 3rd Saturday between September 2022 and May 2023. Saturday sessions run 3 hours (9:30am - 12:30pm) and will pass through four seasons, starting in late Summer and going through Fall, Winter, and into Spring. Each session will be 100% outdoors with sites located in the East Mountains/Tijeras area. You have the choice of registering for either one or both Saturdays. Space is limited. *(Additional optional programming may be offered in the Fall &/or Spring for a separate fee – TBA!)*

Ages

Ages 3-6, Saturday Explorers
Ages 7-12, Saturday Adventurers

Dates

2022: Sept 3 & 17 • Oct 1 & 15 • Nov 5 & 19 • Dec 3 & 17
2023: Feb 4 & 18 • Mar 4 & 18 • Apr 1 & 15 • May 6 & 20

Session Time

9:30am – 12:30pm. (arrive at 9:15am for a 9:30am start time; a wholesome snack will be provided during session; pack a lunch ready for your child at pick-up; departure at 12:45pm)

Locations*

We'll be using a site in the Cibola National Forest in Tijeras, which is located in the East Mountains / South 337 corridor (read below)

Registration Fee

An annual, non-refundable registration fee* per child is applied once per school year at the time of enrollment, and is based on 1 or 2 day per month attendance.

\$20 fee per child for 1 day
\$30 fee per child for 2 days

**registration fee will be waived for families who prefer to pay for the full year at time of registration*

Tuition

Attend 1 Saturday per month (8 sessions total) **1ST SATURDAYS only**..... \$400
Attend 1 Saturday per month (8 sessions total) **3RD SATURDAYS only**..... \$400
Attend 2 Saturdays per month (16 sessions total) 1ST & 3RD SATURDAYS*..... \$700

**\$100 discount (or 2 free sessions) for attending both Saturdays per month*

- All prices quoted include tax.
- Please note, we do not offer drop-in Saturday classes. You must register for the whole series, either every 1st Saturday or every 3rd Saturday, or both Saturdays.

Locations*:

For safety reasons, we do not disclose site locations on public fliers. We will email you directions to our daily locations once you've submitted registration (and before we finalize your child's enrollment or process tuition payment). Thank you for understanding our desire to add this extra layer of protection for your children. ***In addition, while we endeavor to be consistent, it is possible that our site locations can change at any time due to a variety of factors. We try very hard to make these decisions in advance, but we have to consider changing conditions on the ground such as site accessibility, safety concerns, and ecological impacts before we finalize our locations. Thank you for your flexibility and understanding.***

Registration Process:

[Admissions are completed on brightwheel](#) (please use this link to connect with our school)

brightwheel™:

Brightwheel™ is our primary way of communicating daily session updates & important announcements with you. We also use brightwheel™ to finalize admission, to access parent & emergency phone numbers while in the forest, for daily check-in/outs, and as an option for processing tuition payments. You will receive a link invitation to join brightwheel™. Please install the app on your phone, and create an account to proceed to enrollment forms and other features, and allow notifications for teacher messages. (Please note - we REQUIRE that parents use brightwheel, and only in truly unique situations do we waive this requirement).

MANDATORY MEETING:

Mandatory Meeting for New Parents (returning families also welcome to join)

- **Saturday August 27, 10am** (updated!)
- [Zoom Link for All Meetings](#) (Meeting ID: 820 1861 4238 / Passcode: 247538 meeting will be recorded for those who can't attend in person)

All new families must attend our live call on August 20, or watch the recorded call using the link above (seasoned SOL families are also very welcome as you would have much to share with new families!). This presentation by Sally Stevens, SOL's founder and Director, is all about SOL Forest School's programming. During this recording, you'll learn about what we mean by risky & adventurous play, and what to expect during a typical Saturday Forest Fun day with SOL. Most of your questions will be answered here. Please email us at SOLforestschool@gmail.com to schedule a phone call for specific questions related to your child, if needed.

Weather Cancellation & Make-up Policy:

Saturday sessions span the school year between Sept – May, and are subject to seasonal weather conditions that may warrant a reasonable cancellation, delay in start time, or early pick-up in concern for safety and comfort. **Parents need to have a plan in place to pick up their children early if the weather conditions necessitate this.** We do not make tuition reimbursements for the first canceled Saturday session resulting from extreme weather conditions. This means one “forgiven” session for either Saturday (1st or 3rd of the month). We will, however, attempt to offer a make-up for the second missed 1st or 3rd Saturday due to weather. If needed, make-up days will be the *last* Saturday of the month (however, cancellations that occur in December or January will be scheduled into the Spring). We greatly appreciate your effort and flexibility as we do our best to manage the unpredictability of the ever-changing climate.