



Summits of Canada Expedition

NEWS RELEASE

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“LIVE from the Top of Ontario”

An historic event is taking place Wednesday, September 27th, 2:00 pm EST and you do not want to miss it! Exclusively developed for teachers and students throughout Canada and around the world, this event will revolutionize education through technology and adventure. It is our belief that experience is the best teacher, and a teacher's or student's class is no longer confined to just a room in a school. Students today expect more than books or marks on a chalkboard and with new technologies evolving, interactive 'real-world' programs provide an immersive learning experience on a global level.

The Summits of Canada Expedition is about to start its climb to the top of Ontario with 5 days of hiking and canoeing through beautiful Northern Ontario to the [Ishpatina Ridge](#). Conducting a live broadcast from the mountain to classrooms around the world, this historic event will present a new and dynamic way to teach, learn and be a part of a real live adventure focussing on geography, the environment, science, health & fitness and technology.

Already the largest educational expedition in the world, the Summits of Canada Expedition, which started its climbs in August, has schools from 15 different countries following the team of climbers. Now “higher learning” is brought to the classroom where technology is used to bring the mountain to your students while they are in class. No pre-recorded tapes or delayed transmissions; these events are Live, online and in Real-time.



On *September 27th, 2:00 pm EST (11:00 am PST)*, the climbing team will host a live Internet forum from the top of Ontario through their website with the Ontario Minister of Natural Resources, the Honourable David Ramsay and students. For you to be a part of history, the first step is to register!

We can only accommodate a limited number of schools worldwide, so we encourage you to register early to get access to the “Live from the Top of Ontario” event. Once registered, there are three ways to participate:

1. **Watch, listen and learn....**[register](#) early and then build your class around the “Live from the Top of Ontario” event. Check out the [lesson plans](#) focussing on geography, Ontario, the First Nations, the Get Active program, Canoeing and more.
2. **Ask questions....**[email your questions](#) about the Expedition, Parks, Geography, GPS or another topic relevant to the trip and we will try to answer as many questions as possible during the Live Forum. Maybe your question will be selected and your school name will be announced worldwide!
3. **Go live from your classroom to the team on top of Ontario...**[you will need a computer, web cam and a high-speed internet connection](#). Through our website during the “Live Virtual Forum”, you will be given some time for your students to appear in the forum and directly ask questions of the climbing team while they are on top of Ontario. So if you have the technology and want to amaze your students, send us an [email](#) telling us why your class should be one of the few classes worldwide who will “Go Live” with the Team.

The first step is to [register](#), and when you get to the question about the “Live Virtual Forum” choose “Yes” and mark **Wednesday, September 27th, 2:00 pm EST (11:00 am PST)** on your calendar.

On behalf of the Ontario climbing team, Will, Len, Melissa, Shawn and Jessica and all the people behind the Summits of Canada Expedition we want to thank the [Royal Canadian Geographical Society](#), [Canadian Geographic](#), [Temagami Outfitters](#), [Gemini Position Systems](#), [North Face](#), [Timberline](#), [Science North](#), [Vortex Communications](#), [Reveal.ca](#), [MidNet Inc.](#), [Heart In Action](#), and the [Minister of Natural Resources for Ontario, the Honourable David Ramsay](#) for believing in our vision of telling Canadians and the world about Ontario and Canada – One Step at a Time.

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