

EdGEO 2010
Star Lake Field Station

FACILITIES AT STAR LAKE FIELD STATION:

The field station is located on the south shore of Star Lake, but has no docking facilities. The field station has the following facilities:

1. Bunkhouse. The bunkhouse comprises 5 rooms, each with 5 bunk beds, lockers (one to two for each participant), and washroom (toilet and sink). This building has a separate water heater. Room heat is from attached electric baseboard heaters. Up to 10 participants can live in each bunkroom, but we expect to assign no more than 5 participants per bunkroom.

2. Kitchen and dining hall: There is a small kitchen that services the dining hall. The kitchen contains 2 electric stoves, 1 electric griddle, and a refrigerator. The adjacent storage area houses the water system that draws water from Star Lake and food storage facilities. Potable water is available in large containers outside on the kitchen deck.

3. There are two classrooms. The main classroom has a central room that has 5 (or 6) rows of tables, which can comfortably accommodate 8 participants with work equipment. Extra work tables are at back of room and several enclosed offices are located along side that main classroom; some offices have tables or desks. The other classroom is smaller and will not be used. This latter classroom houses washrooms for general use and two showers stalls for participants.

ACCOMMODATION

Bunks and mattresses are supplied at the field station. Participants should bring their own bedding (sleeping bag, or sheets and blankets) and pillow. Light sleepers should consider bringing ear plugs and/or eye masks.

MEALS

We will provide breakfast, dinner, lunch supplies, and evening coffee and snacks. We do not have the facilities to provide special meals, but if you have allergies or special dietary requirements, please let us know and we will try to accommodate your request. Please note that refrigeration space is limited, and may not be available for storage of personal food items

- (1) Breakfast will be served each day at 7:30 a.m. unless otherwise announced.
- (2) Supper will be served each day at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise announced.
- (3) Each student is responsible for preparing their own field lunch immediately before or after breakfast. If you wish, bring a small thermos bottle for tea or coffee. This is recommended for cold weather.

Note: Be on time for all meals.

CLOTHING

A significant proportion of EdGEO is spent on field trips in the “bush”. Most field trip stops are located adjacent or near roadways. We recommend that participants bring old bush clothes. ***Include some gloves, warm sweaters and a windproof jacket.*** Weather at this time of year can vary from snow to 30°C temperatures. A rain suit, cape or light-weight rain coat is recommended. Field trip footwear should offer good support and be suited for field activities. Remember a towel and your toiletries.

ILLNESS OR INJURY

There is a basic first aid kit at the field station, but if you need special medication, make sure that you have an adequate supply. We do not supply medication to participants. If you injure yourself in the field, or become ill, notify an instructor immediately so that we can arrange for medical care. If you wear glasses, you should bring a spare pair.

CONTACT:

Cell phone reception is generally good in the Whiteshell, but is relatively poor at the field camp.