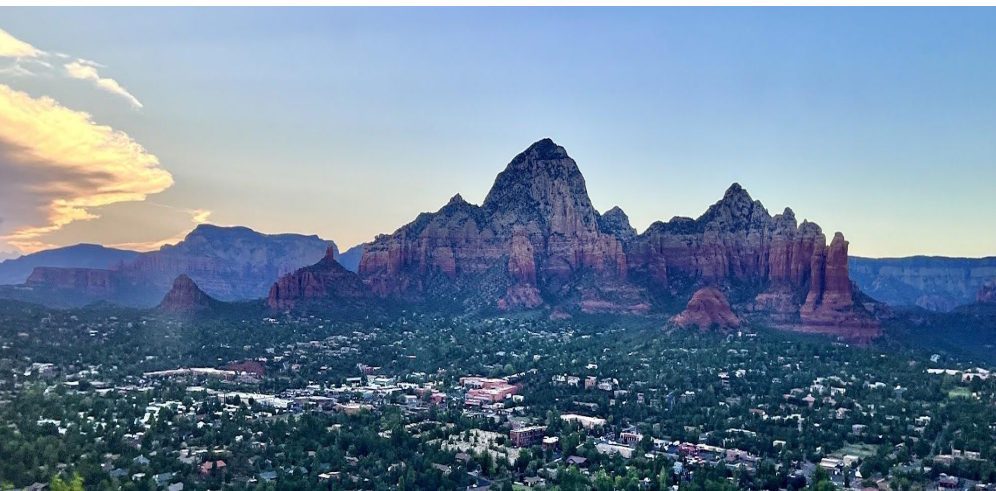


West Sedona School's

Sister City Classroom Exchange Program

S.T.E.M Program

West Sedona School's Sister City Classroom Exchanges



Sister Citiesproposed a citizen diplomacy initiative to promote cultural, educational and business ties between two countries. Currently, 1,200 US cities



2022.....2024

- 2022 Sedona formed a Sister City Inquiry Board
- Started with 43 cities
- Education Committee (3)
- Lahinch, Ireland and Canmore, Alberta, Canada



Sister City Considerations:

Language

Travel

Time zone

Similar city attractions and challenges



Our new sister city.....Canmore, Alberta, Canada

May 2024 Virtual Friendship Signing - Mary Fisher Theater

Population: 17,323 Schools: 7 schools, 2,162 students Indigenous Populations

Banff Film Festival, Active Arts Community, Tourism: 4.3 million visitors yearly



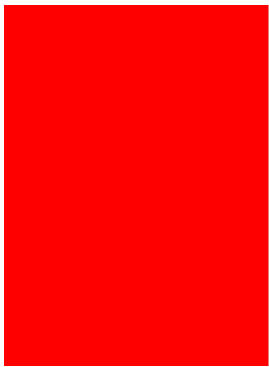
Current Exchanges, as of January 2025

Sedona has initiated 5 Sister City Exchange Programs with Canmore:

- 1) Arts/Film (2 film festivals)**
- 2) Library exchanges**
- 3) Student Exchanges (Rotary)**
- 4) Outdoor Adventures (Verde Valley High School)**
- 5) Teacher/Classroom Exchanges**



How can a classroom become part of the Sister City Classroom Exchange?



Fill out a brief form outlining classroom exchange ideas, submit it to Deb Sanders who will connect you with your Canmore Teacher partner.

- 1) Introductions - Getting to know each other, relationship building**
- 2) Cultural Exchanges, My community, Your community**
- 3) Benefits and challenges of living in our communities**

October 15-18, 2024

First West Sedona In Person Classroom Exchange Elizabeth Rummel School, Canmore, Alberta, Canada



Current Sister City Classroom Exchanges

Kindergarten - West Sedona School

Grade 1 West Sedona School

Grade 2 West Sedona School

Grade 2 Running River School

SOCSD Middle School? SOCSD High School?

Thank you!