



Travel Information: Southwest Alpine Backpacking – 15 Days

Course Number:

CUMA-141 // 6.18.21 – 7.2.21

MEETING PLACE:

1:00 PM (MST)

Walker Field Airport (GJT) Baggage Claim

Grand Junction, CO

(970) 244-9100

You will be required to take extra precautions while traveling including wearing personal protective equipment like a KN95 mask and goggles for your safety and the safety of your future crew. Closer to course start you will receive specific COVID-19 travel safety protocol.

COURSE START:

The van will depart the airport promptly at **2:00 PM** the first day of your course. Student's flying should plan to arrive by 1:00 PM. A COBS representative will be waiting for you at Baggage Claim. They will be wearing a COBS t shirt. Parents will be notified only if a student does not arrive as expected. Students being driven should be dropped off at the airport's Baggage Claim between **at 1:00 PM**. We cannot accommodate picking up or dropping off students from other locations. Participants not fully confirmed by their Course Advisor will not be allowed in the van.

Please be ready to go, having eaten and made any necessary phone calls before 1:30 PM. Please send your student with cash or a credit card to use for purchasing food/snacks on travel days. Expect to be in the van for multiple hours. Again, please **DO NOT MISS THE VAN**. It is extremely difficult to get late participants to the course start.

UNACCOMPANIED MINOR PROVISION:

Some airlines require this provision, while others are elective. With this service, the airline will directly chaperone your child and requires our staff to meet your child at the arrival gate. If you use this service, we must strictly adhere to specific flight times. For arrivals, **Unaccompanied Minors must arrive between 10:30AM and 1:30 PM. Departure flights must depart between 12:15 PM and 3:00 PM.** For more information on travel to course start, see "Attending Outward Bound".

COURSE END:

The charter bus or van is scheduled to arrive back at the Walker Field Airport (GJT) by **11:00 AM**. Please schedule your students flight out for after 12:15pm. Participants can be picked up at Baggage Claim between 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM. This is the only location students can be picked up from.

TRAVEL PROBLEMS AND EMERGENCY CONTACT:

If you encounter problems with your travel plans that will delay your arrival to Grand Junction, we can help troubleshoot solutions to get you to course start. Call us at 720.381.6589 and press option #2 (emergencies) and continue to follow the directions for a travel emergency on a Utah course. Make certain to **leave your name, course, and call-back number** if you are leaving a voicemail.

In the event of an emergency (such as a death in the family) where you need to reach a student who is on course, follow the prompts for critical emergency for a student currently on a course. This will route to an on-call cell phone and you will get a prompt return call as indicated by the message.



ACCOMMODATIONS:

If you need to arrive in Grand Junction the day before the course start and/or spend the last night in Grand Junction, we recommend you contact the CLARION INN to make reservations.

Clarion Inn
755 Horizon Dr.
Grand Junction, CO 81506
Direct: (970) 243-6790

By calling the Clarion Inn directly, you can obtain a **discounted rate for Outward Bound students** - you must identify yourself as one when making reservations. **Please make reservations 45 days in advance or ASAP.**

MAIL:

Embarking upon multi-week expedition without most of our comforts from home can be an unfamiliar challenge, and receiving letters from family and/or friends can be incredibly encouraging for everyone on an expedition. Your mail will be delivered to you at transfers and resupplies as well as at the end of course. Your family and friends can send mail to you at the following address. Any undelivered mail received after the course will be forwarded to your home address. Please ask them to mail the letters at least 6 days before the course end. Packages are subject to opening prior to delivery to the student.

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