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Blue Ridge Parkway Home School

(Asheville, NC) — The National Park Service (NPS) extends an invitation to the public to attend the Blue Ridge Parkway's Fourth Annual Home School Day. Home School Day, a new tradition on the Blue Ridge Parkway, allows the NPS to include local area home school children in its Parks as Classroom program. The Parks as Classroom program is very popular with public school children as NPS Rangers present educational programs on various topics that meet North Carolina's curriculum standards.

Home School Day will take place at the Museum of North Carolina Minerals at Milepost 331 on the Blue Ridge Parkway. The museum is located at the junction of Highway 226 North and the Blue Ridge Parkway near Spruce Pine, North Carolina.

Home School Day will begin at 9:00 AM on **Wednesday April 7th, 2010**, and will have the following schedule:

9:00 a.m.	5th grade	Government in Action
10:00 a.m.	4th grade	North Carolina Geology
11:00 a.m.	4th grade	American Indians and the Ice Age
12:00 p.m.		Break for Lunch
1:00 p.m.	3rd grade	Honey Bees and Pollination
2:00 p.m.	2nd grade	Weather
3:00 p.m.	1st grade	Habitats
4:00 p.m.	Kindergarten	Animals and the Five Senses

Most programs will last approximately 45 minutes. The event is free and no reservations are required.

Please come and take advantage of this wonderful educational opportunity for your children.

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