

MineralsEd: Yukon Dan's Gold Panning Field Trip

Pro-D for Kamloops area Teachers, October 23, 2020

Yukon Dan's Gold Panning Pro-D Field Trip

How does gold panning work?, what minerals are associated with gold? What is magnetic separation? What is the importance of the gold rush to the history of Canada and British Columbia? Was there a gold rush in Kamloops?

To answer these and other questions *MineralsEd* invites you to join partner-teacher **Eric Rustand** (NorKam Secondary) and **Yukon Dan** for a Pro-D field trip to pan for gold in **Tranquille Creek**. **Yukon Dan** teaches his award-winning style and techniques while offering a glimpse of what it took to be a successful panner in the heady days of the gold rush!

This field trip will include:

- Gold panning where teachers will pan for real gold.
- How to separate minerals with a magnet, and which minerals are commonly associated with gold.
- Teachers will learn about the effect of the gold rush on Canada, BC, and the Kamloops area.
- They will also learn about reclamation and its importance to placer mining.



What disciplines are involved?

History
Socials
Geology
Earth Science
Geography

Teachers will be provided with their own brand new gold pan which they get to keep, expert instruction on how to pan for gold, and will be able to keep all the gold they find! Registration is limited to 9 participants to ensure proper social distancing, so make sure to register early. Hand sanitizer, face masks, and lysol wipes will be provided. Boots or Rubber boots are recommended. Bring your own lunch, snacks, and water.

Location: Tranquille Creek just past the Kamloops airport on the north side of the Thompson. Detailed driving directions will be sent out a week before the field trip.

Yukon Dan's Gold Panning Field Trip: Friday Oct. 23, 2020

Schedule: 11:00am-3:00pm

Meet-Up: Tranquille Creek, Kamloops, BC

Register Online: <https://kamloopsgoldpanning.eventbrite.ca>

Cost: \$20. **Pregistration Deadline:** Oct. 16 Noon

Confirmed registrations on this date will determine if the trip will go ahead.

Registration will remain open thereafter pending available space.

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