

# THE PEDALING PIONEER

Making Learning an Adventure

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#### Who are we?

We are experienced educators taking a new and ground-breaking approach to learning.

## What do we do?

Our mission is to combine adventure and learning to take students to the places where history happened!

## How do we do it?

Take a teacher with boundless energy and a passion for discovery and put him on a bike. Send him out with a camera, a computer, and a lot of protein bars! Connect him to the kids in a way they understand-videos, chat sessions, photos, blogs and tweets- and let him show them the world! The world where history is a real place and geography is a real obstacle. Give them a hands-in-the-dirt, wheels-on-the-road, wind-in-your-face kind of experience- that takes learning to a whole new level!

## Where to first?

Brad Haertling, 7<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and fitness buff, will make his first trip from Independence, MO to Ft. Laramie, WY on the Oregon Trail from May 29<sup>th</sup> to June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013! He'll follow in the footsteps of the pioneers - cooking over a buffalo dung fire, fording a river, and even racing a Pony Express rider from station to station on his bike. As he travels he'll be connecting with

a class of 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders in Jackson, Missouri via e-mail, text messages, and video chat to answer their questions and lead them on their learning journey. Later, all multimedia content – including lesson plans linked to national standards - will be available for use in classrooms around the world!

# How can you help?

We've got the passion and the know-how, but we need your help! An undertaking like this requires lots of equipment – both in the classroom and on the road. That's where you come in. By sponsoring our trip, you not only get the exposure provided by an advertisement on our website, you also bring us one step closer to making the dream a reality... and making learning an adventure!

Contact Brad at 573-579-7999 or <a href="mailto:bhaertling@jackson.k12.mo.us">bhaertling@jackson.k12.mo.us</a> to sponsor the trip.

