Think you’re too young for archaeology? Think again! Summer Lab happily rolls out this historically popular “first venture” into archaeology for students in 5th, 6th, and 7th grades. The week-long introduction to the study of the human past is filled with exciting opportunities to discover the cultural history, geography, and archaeology of the Four Corners area of the American Southwest.

**Overview**

Studies will cover the fascinating history of the ancient Pueblo Indians (the Anasazi) who lived in the Mesa Verde region. You will help our team of professional archaeologists at a working excavation site, and learn to sort and identify artifacts in the Crow Canyon research laboratory.

**Supervision/Activities**

High School Music teacher Ms. Roz Torto and Middle School Music teacher, Mr. Ryan Hudec, are excited to join the trip. In addition to their duties as chaperones, Roz and Ryan will participate in the programs led by Crow Canyon instructors.

At Crow Canyon’s pithouse and pueblo learning centers, students can try their hand at spear-throwing with an *atlatl*, making a fire without matches, and playing traditional Native American games. The amazing skills and lifeways of the people who inhabited the Mesa Verde region 700 to 2,500 years ago will amuse and amaze. The week is traditionally topped off with a special all-day tour of nearby Mesa Verde National Park, a World Heritage site.