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## **Inland Empire Waterkeeper River KATS – Kid Activism Through Science**

Our field trips are held on a first come, first serve basis. Please apply as soon as possible in order to obtain this opportunity for your class. We will get back to you within two weeks of applying.

To get an overview of our programs, please view our River KATS destinations document.

To apply, you may visit our google form at <https://goo.gl/forms/VcPN6nxLNUEuYPR11>

*\*Note: Should you choose to apply to this program, we ask that you keep up to date with all of our e-mails and requested information. Failure to do so may result in resigning this opportunity for your class.*

*\*\*Note: We have the right to reschedule the field trip should unsafe weather conditions or other dangerous conditions arise up to the morning of the event.*

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## **Field Trip Game Plan**

- One month prior to the field trip, we will contact you to schedule an in-class presentation.
  - Conducted anywhere between one week and one day prior to the field trip.
  - 25-35 minutes long, and will contain information regarding our organization, the planned field trip, and the information tailored to your individual program.
  - Please be prepared and have DVD/PowerPoint capabilities prior to our arrival.
- Two weeks before the scheduled field trip, we will contact you and ask the following of you:
  - Administer the pre-quizzes prior to the in-class presentation
  - Remind you to print liability waivers and have them signed by each student, teacher, and chaperone prior to the field trip
  - Remind you to have the bus scheduled for the morning of the field trip.
    - *Note: You are in charge of bus transportation. Please contact your school secretary to set it up. Your school district will have to pay for the buses initially, and will be reimbursed. The district has 60 days to send the invoice by either mail or e-mail.*
  - Have the additional activities chosen for your class:
    - In addition to the nature hike, if you are a K-6 teacher, you may choose three of the following activities:
      - *Enviroscape Watershed Diorama*
      - *Live Animal Presentation (Turtles, Tortoises, Geckos, Snakes)*

- Animal Track Molds
- Water Quality Testing Lab
- Microscope Nature Lab – Micro Aquatic Organisms
- In addition to the nature hike, if you are a High School teacher, you may choose two of the following activities:
  - Water Quality Testing Lab
  - Micro / Macro Invertebrates Lab
  - Biodiversity Lab Activity
  - Additional activities to meet your class standards
- *\*Note: Number of activities and types of activities may vary based on chosen location*
- This field trip requires chaperones for K-6 classes!
  - At least one chaperone on every field trip must be an employee from your school district. Teachers are considered a chaperone.
  - Each group of ten children requires one chaperone. For example, if you have a class of 40 children, then 4 chaperones will be required for the field trip.
  - Chaperones are responsible for looking over the *Chaperone Guidelines* prior to the field trip.
- On the day of the field trip:
  - All student waivers must be signed and collected, and handed to one of our staff members before getting on the bus.
  - All chaperones must be accounted for prior to leaving for the field trip.
  - Prior to the end of the field trip, we will administer a Post-Quiz, which is aligned with similar material as the Pre-Quiz.
- Many photos will be taken of the field trip, your students, and any volunteer chaperones. You may find these photos by following our social media:
  - Facebook.com/InlandEmpireWaterkeeper
  - Instagram.com/IEWaterkeeper

If you have any questions or concerns in regards to this opportunity, you may contact us at:

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