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California High School
1234 Beach Blvd.
Riverside, CA 92506

Hello,

Thank you for your interest in our River KATS: Kid Activism Through Science field trip program. Your class has been awarded a field trip at the **Santa Ana River** in Martha McLean Park, located at **5759 Jurupa Avenue, Riverside, CA 92504**. Your field trip is scheduled for **Monday, June 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

This field trip packet includes the following items:

1. Welcome Letter
2. Field Trip Itinerary
3. Directions to the Park
4. Chaperone Guidelines
5. **REQUIRED - Waiver of Liability Form (required from each student, educator, and chaperone to participate in the field trip)**

Please have each student's parent/guardian complete the Waiver of Liability form and bring all forms with you on the day of the field trip. Any students that *do not* have the required forms will be unable to participate on the field trip.

Please keep the following in mind:

- **Inland Empire Waterkeeper requires one adult chaperone per 10 students for K-6 field trips (teachers count as a chaperone).**
- All participants should bring bottled water to stay hydrated throughout their visit.

- The park has restrooms available throughout the field trip
- All activities take place outdoors.
- The nature hike is approximately 1.5 miles long and pathways along the river will be on sand.
- Lunches are not provided by Inland Empire Waterkeeper
- Dress appropriately for variable weather; closed toe shoes are mandatory for safety. We recommend bringing a hat and sunscreen as well.
- Inland Empire Waterkeeper has the right to cancel any field trip up until the day of the field trip should any dangerous weather conditions arise. Dangerous weather conditions are determined by Waterkeeper's discretion.

If you have any students that require special accommodations, please let me know before arriving for your field trip. Also, if you have any changes to the number of students participating on the field trip, please let me know. Any changes will need to be evaluated to determine the appropriate number of staff and chaperones needed for the day of the field trip.

If you have any questions or need further information, please feel free to contact Ryan Kearns at ryan@iewaterkeeper.org or by phone at (951) 530-8823. We look forward to your visit at the Santa Ana River in Martha McLean Park.

Best Regards,

Ryan Kearns
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Itinerary

School: California High School

Field Trip Location: Santa Ana River at Martha McLean Park

Field Trip Location Address: 5759 Jurupa Ave., Riverside, CA 92504

Field Trip Date: Monday, June 4th

Field Trip Time: 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

Planned Activities:

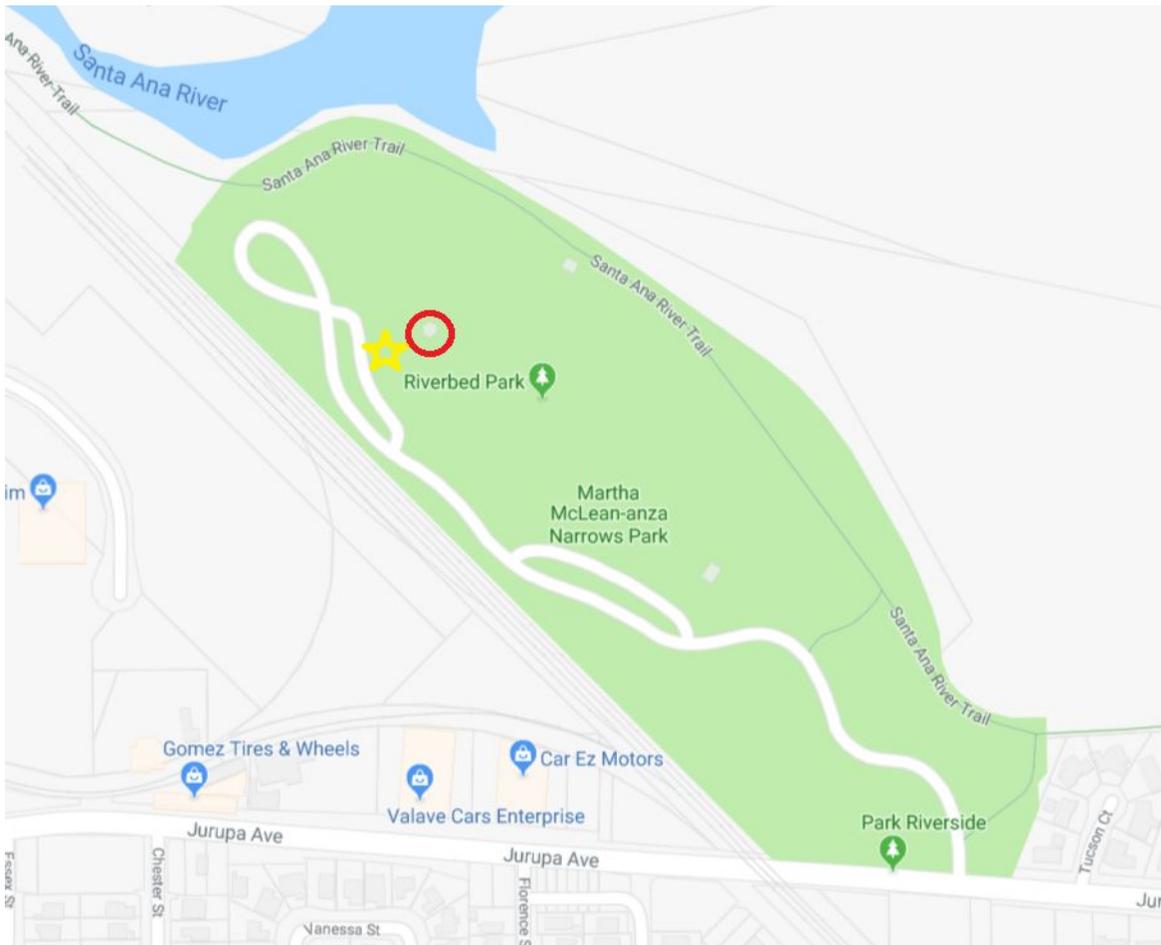
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2. <ACTIVITY 2>
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4. <ACTIVITY 4>

Time	Activity
9:00 AM - 9:20 AM	Introduction, Rules, & Consent Forms
9:20 AM - 9:40 AM	Stations 1
9:40 AM - 10:00 AM	Stations 2
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	Stations 3
10:25 AM - 11:25 AM	Nature Hike
11:30 AM	Group Send-Off

Directions to the Park

1. <DIRECTIONS 1>
2. <DIRECTIONS 2>
3. <DIRECTIONS 3>
4. Turn right into Martha McLean Park

Here is a map of Martha McLean Park. On the field trip, drive down the long parking lot until you reach the star. At the star is where the bus will drop your class off and park, while the red circle is the pavilion where we will meet and do our introductions to the area. As soon as we see your bus, we will flag you down. Should you need to contact someone the day of the field trip, feel free to reach me by cell at (626) 422-7234.



Guidelines for Field Trip Chaperones

Thank you for your interest in being a field trip chaperone. Chaperones are an important role on field trips, and while it is an enjoyable experience, it requires accepting certain responsibilities. The following guidelines help ensure that this field trip is both safe and rewarding for all participants involved.

Note: There is a limited amount of room for chaperones. We can only accommodate one chaperone per ten children. Please let your child's teacher know as soon as possible whether you are interested in order to be considered as a chaperone.

Chaperone Guidelines:

1. Please be familiar with the general instructions that are given to students prior to the field trip, and enforce these instructions throughout the trip.
2. Teachers or non-formal educators reserve the right to assign or reassign students to a certain group.
3. The students in your assigned group are **your responsibility**. You must be aware of how many students are in your group, their names, and their faces prior to the field trip. Be sure that all students are present when moving from one place to another.
4. Be on time for designated meeting places and departure.
5. Please be aware of any safety concerns that you may come across on the field trip.
6. You have the authority to enforce all of the rules and appropriate behavior. Any consequences must be handled by your child's teacher.

If you have any questions about any aspect of the field trip, or the expectations of being a chaperone, you may contact either your child's teacher or us at Inland Empire Waterkeeper at (951) 530-8823.