

# Crab Cove Field Trip Programs



The Crab Cove staff serves programs at Anthony Chabot, Lake Chabot, Leona Heights & Leona Canyon, Crown Beach, Huckleberry Regional Preserve, Martin Luther King Jr. Regional Shoreline, Redwood, Roberts, Sibley, and Temescal. Parking fees may apply. Field trips are facilitated on **Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays**. Field trips are free for public schools in Alameda & Contra Costa counties. Private schools, or schools outside of Contra Costa or Alameda counties, will be charged \$61 per hour/per naturalist or as noted below. **Apply online** at [bit.ly/fieldtripapp](http://bit.ly/fieldtripapp).

On-site Programs	Description	Grade	Time
<b>Creatures of the Bay</b>	Meet residents of the San Francisco Bay. Program includes Old Wharf Classroom “dive,” turning a child into a giant crab, & a guided outdoor nature study.	<b>K-2<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; up</b>	<b>1 hour</b> <b>1.5 hours</b>
<b>Food Chains</b>	Investigate how plants and animals of the Bay-estuary are connected. Participants take a “dive” in the Old Wharf Classroom, build a Bay food chain, & explore outdoors to find real life examples of food chains.	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; up</b>	<b>1 hour</b> <b>1.5 hours</b>
<b>Birds Around the Bay</b> (Fall/Spring only)	Learn how birds are adapted to their watery environments. Compare birds of pond, bay, & the parkland. Introduction in the Old Wharf Classroom followed by guided walk outdoors using our binoculars.	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; up</b>	<b>1.5 hours</b>
<b>Cove Days</b> (Fall/Spring only)	Visit activity stations with your classes including a “dive” in the Old Wharf Classroom, seasonal guided explorations, nature games on the lawn, a visit to our exhibit area, & more! This 4-hour program includes a lunch break and accommodates up to 120 students.	<b>All grades</b> (multi-class option)	<b>9:45am – 1pm</b>
<b>Bay Laboratory</b> (Spring only)	An in-depth study of Bay-estuary ecology. Explore mudflats and eelgrass beds with the help of seine nets, hip wader boots, microscopes, and mud core samplers. Students learn scientific inquiry skills and carry out experiments during low tide. This 3-hour program also includes an in-classroom pre-trip visit by naturalist staff.	<b>5<sup>th</sup> &amp; up</b> <b>\$200 fee per class</b>	<b>3 hours +</b> 1 hour pre-trip classroom visit
Off-site Programs	Description	Grade	Time
<b>Naturalist in the Classroom</b> (Fall only. Alameda, Oakland, & San Leandro only)	If you can't come to us, one of our naturalists can visit you! Our programs bring the bay or hill park wildlife and plants to life or we can tailor the theme to fit your needs.	<b>All grades</b>	<b>1 hour</b>
<b>Nature Walks in the Regional Parks</b>	Use the parklands as your classroom! Programs are available at the following East Bay Regional Parks: Redwood, Roberts, Lake Chabot, Anthony Chabot, Sibley Volcanic Preserve, Huckleberry, Oyster Bay, & MLK Jr. Shoreline.	<b>All grades</b>	<b>1.5 hours</b>
<b>Redwood Forest Rendezvous</b> (Fall/Spring only)	Experience the magic of the forest. This 2-hour program is designed to accommodate 3 classes. The program will rotate students through a variety of forest themed activities including a nature walk, forest food web, tree study, & climate study. Program held at Roberts Park.	<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; up</b> (multi-class option)	<b>10am – 12pm</b>

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