



Field Trip Programs Crab Cove Visitor Center



- 🌿 Facilitated **Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays**
- 🌿 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

On-site Programs	Description	Grade	Time
Creatures of the Bay	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.	K-2nd	1 hour
		3rd & up	1.5 hours
Food Chains	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.	2nd	1 hour
		3rd & up	1.5 hours
Birds Around the Bay (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.	3rd & up	1.5 hours
Cove Days (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 6 classes.	All grades (multi-class option)	9:30am – 1pm
Bay Laboratory (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.	5th & up \$200 fee per class	3 hours + 1 hour pre-trip classroom visit
Off-site Programs	Description	Grade	Time
Naturalist in the Classroom (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.	All grades	1 hour
Nature Walks in the Regional Parks	Use the parklands as your classroom! Programs are available at the following East Bay Regional Parks: <u>Anthony Chabot</u> , <u>Huckleberry Preserve</u> , <u>Lake Chabot</u> , <u>Lake Temescal</u> , <u>Leona Canyon</u> , <u>MLK Jr. Shoreline</u> , <u>Oyster Bay</u> , <u>Redwood</u> , <u>Roberts</u> , & <u>Sibley Volcanic Preserve</u> .	All grades	1.5 hours
Redwood Forest Rendezvous (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.	1st & up (multi-class option)	10am – Noon

Apply Online: bit.ly/fieldtripapp



Application Dates

Season	Application Opens	Application Deadline	Teacher Contact Begins
Summer (mid-June to mid-Sept)	1 st Monday in January	1 st Monday in May, 5pm	2 nd Monday in May
Autumn (mid-Sept to mid-Jan)	1 st Monday in April	1 st Monday in August, 5pm	2 nd Monday in August
Winter/Spring (Feb to mid-June)	1 st Monday in August	1 st Monday in December, 5pm	2 nd Monday in Dec.

All entries received by the deadline will be checked for duplication (one entry per teacher), then randomly drawn. Late applications will be placed on a waiting list.

*Complete the online field trip application:
bit.ly/fieldtripapp*