



Black Diamond Regional Preserve

In-Person Interpretive Program Descriptions

In-Person Program	Grade	Duration	MAX Participants
<p>Hazel-Atlas Sand Mine Tour Hike through our beautiful nature preserve and explore an underground silica sand mine on this tour. You will learn about the fascinating history of sand mining from the 1920s-1940s and how an ancient world shaped our local landscape.</p> <p>Program Fee: \$5 per person <i>*Adaptable for grades 3-5, 6-8, or 9-12 with associated standards.</i></p>	3 rd & up*	1.5 hours	2 classes <i>(70 participants, 35 per class including adults)</i>
		3.5 hours <i>(incl 30min break)</i>	4 classes <i>(140 participants, 35 per class including adults)</i>
<p>Coal Mining History Tour Hike through the townsite of Somersville to learn of the immigrants who carved a life from these hills. Then continue underground into the Coal Mine Experience, a replica 19th century coal mine, to discover how and why coal was critical to the young state of California.</p> <p>Program Fee: \$3 per person <i>*Adaptable for grades 3-5, 6-8, or 9-12 with associated standards.</i></p>	3 rd & up*	1.5 hours	2 classes <i>(70 participants, 35 per class including adults)</i>
		3.5 hours <i>(incl 30min break)</i>	4 classes <i>(140 participants, 35 per class including adults)</i>
<p>Black Diamond Geology Dive into the rocking world of geology as we walk through time investigating layers of sedimentary rock left by an ancient sea! Discover different rock types as we search through waste rock piles and find out about fabulous fossils of the East Bay.</p>	1 st – 3 rd	1.5 hours	2 classes
<p>Chaparral Nature Trek Hike through the diverse chaparral ecosystem on a nature walk that emphasizes the area’s plants and animals and how they are extraordinarily adapted to this unique environment.</p>	4 th & up	2 hours	2 classes
<p>Five Senses Exploration Senses can be great tools to help us connect with nature as well as keep us safe. Come on a sensory exploration to learn about the park, native wildlife, and yourselves!</p>	Preschool & K	1 hour	2 classes
<p>Marsh Exploration Hike along the shoreline at Martinez or Bay Point to learn about marsh habitats in the San Francisco Bay area. We will explore the plants, animals, and history of this diverse community.</p> <p><i>*Modified for each grade level with associated standards</i></p>	K – 12*	2 hours	2 classes

Uncovering Local History:

Stories of Social Justice and the Port Chicago 50

Thurgood Marshall Regional Park - Home of the Port Chicago 50 honors World War II stories of civil rights and social injustice that took place on this land. This program explores how these events led to the eventual desegregation of the U.S. military – thus shaping our region, state, and beyond. Students will learn about the Port Chicago Disaster, Port Chicago 50, and various key figures.

**Best aligned with 11th grade U.S. History classes*

9 – 12th

3 hrs
Tues/Thurs
only

3 classes
(2 class minimum)



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Digital Learning Interpretive Program Descriptions



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Virtual Mine Tour Dive into the depths to discover the history hidden underground. Join a Naturalist on this virtual tour to learn about coal and sand mining in the Bay Area.	3 rd & 4 th	45 minutes	1 class <i>(no participant limit)</i>
Animals and their Habitats Explore how the animals of Black Diamond Mines find everything they need to live, grow, and thrive. Learn about the different habitats that make this park so special and what adaptations the local animals use to meet their basic needs.	K – 2 nd	45 minutes	1 class <i>(no participant limit)</i>