SRP RERSERVE 3RD GRADE FIELD TRIP INFORMATION:

- Online registration opens at 4 PM, Tuesday after Labor Day.
- The entire field trip calendar usually fills within 5 days.
- The outdoor science trail programs are offered October – May.
- Field Trips run Tuesday - Friday, 9 AM - 12 PM.
- A maximum of 75 students, accompanied by their teachers and 3 chaperons per class.
- Special Need Student Aides are welcome and not counted as chaperons.

**No 2nd graders (combo class), family members, strollers or guests permitted.**

- Most schools need to schedule several field trips to accommodate their students.
- One class from each school may come in March or April. Schedule other classes in other months.
- A **fee** per 3rd grade student is required. Fees are updated annually.
  - Teachers and 3 chaperons per class are free.
  - Special Need Student Aides are not counted as chaperons – no fee.
- Payment, by check, is collected at each field trip unless prior arrangement is made. NO CASH.
- All students complete the current year’s “pre-field trip quiz” prior to their field trip or Outreach event.
  - A NEW 3rd Grade Quiz is downloaded from the website.
    - Reminder - do not use any previous quizzes; the questions are updated annually.
    - Completed quizzes are delivered to the Reserve by each teacher during their field trip.
- Data collected from pre and post quizzes are valuable to the SRP Reserve Nature Ed Foundation to secure grants for education programs at the Reserve and for bus transportation for Riverside County public school 3rd graders to the SRPER.
- CA Dept. of Education science Disciplinary Core Ideas met:
  - Growth & Development of Organisms (3-LS1-1)
  - Ecosystem Dynamics, Functioning and Resilience (3 LS4-4)
  - Adaptation (3LS4-3) and Variation of Traits (3-LS3-1)
  - Social Interactions and Group Behavior (3-LS2-1)
  - Crosscutting Concepts of Patters & Cause and Effect
FIELD TRIP INFO:

- Bus arrives at the SRP Reserve (9:00 am – 9:50 am),
- Interpreter (or a trained docent) enters the bus to welcome students & adults,
- Lunches may remain on the bus or be placed onto wagons by chaperons, teachers, and/or the bus driver. Lunch wagons are rolled into the Visitor Center or front porch until lunch time,
- Students disembark and follow staff & docents to the back patio area,
- Participants are organized into small trail groups,
- Teachers turn in Pre-Field Trip Quizzes and provide field trip payment [unless payment has been received or another arrangement is in place.]
- Receipt for payment is faxed to school as well as printed and presented to a attending teacher
- Trail groups return to the Visitor Center by noon,
- Students complete Post Field Trip Quiz,
- Participants take turns using the restrooms,
- Students, teachers and chaperons walk to picnic area - wagons in tow
- After lunch, trash is deposited into large trash bins in the parking area,
- Wagons are returned to the Visitor Center,
- Bus departs by 1:00 PM,
- Bus transportation reimbursement invoices should be processed no later than one month after each field trip by the school district transportation department.
- Contact person: Mary Ruth Johnson programs@santarosaplateau.org
RIVERSIDE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL 3RD GRADE BUS TRANSPORTATION REIMBURSEMENT:

- Riverside County 3rd Grade public schools may request reimbursement through their transportation department.
- Bus reimbursement forms are online.
- **One** school bus per day/field trip is reimbursed. (unless otherwise arranged)
- Transportation invoices are billed to the SRP Reserve within one month of each field trip.
- The *Santa Rosa Plateau Nature Education Foundation* pays for transportation costs and provides financial support for education programs benefiting students from elementary school through college.

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OUTREACH PROGRAMS:

- Once school has confirmed field trip dates, register for free, pre-field trip OUTREACH event(s) at your school site.
- Outreach must be scheduled at LEAST ONE MONTH prior to each field trip.
- All Outreach programs are scheduled through online link.
- Volunteer educators offer 1.5 hour small group, hands-on science programs to third graders.
- Title 1 schools are targeted to receive this enriching program
- Contact person: Jackie Brown  **srpjackie@gmail.com**