Hello 8th grade families,

We will be camping out at Anza Borrego State Park on Thursday, Nov 20th as part of our "From Drought to Deluge" project and as a tie-in to our Science explorations with Wes. We plan to leave school at 10:00 Thursday morning and arrive in Borrego Springs around lunchtime. The return date will be the following day at 12 noon. We will be hiking Palm Canyon Oasis and if luck will have it, we will get to see the stars as well as do some astrophotography courtesy of the High Tech High Astronomy club.

Weather Forecast: 77 high, 48 low

## Please return the attached emergency contacts form and \$6.00 asap.

Any questions? email lisa@innovationsacademy.org

## **BORREGO TRIP PACKING LIST**

Every child needs to bring a sack lunch to eat upon arrival at camp site.

There is limited room since we are carrying our homes on our backs so each student may bring a pillow, sleeping bag and a backpack to hold belongings. I am looking for 6-6 man tents. Please email <a href="mailto:lisa@innovationsacademy.org">lisa@innovationsacademy.org</a> if you can help out.

## PACKING LIST:

Clothing for Friday and pajamas

**Pillow** 

Air Mattress or bed roll(optional)

Flashlight

Sun Screen

Jacket (Borrego can be very cold when the sun goes down)

1 pair hiking or good tread tennis shoes

Towel

**Toiletries** 

Spiral notebook

Pen

a reading book

Camera and extra batteries

Any medication



## Anza-Borrego Desert State Park

200 Palm Canyon Dr • Borrego Springs, CA 92004 • (760) 767-5311

Anza-Borrego Desert State Park is the largest state park in California. Five-hundred miles of dirt roads, 12 wilderness areas and miles of hiking trails provide visitors with an unparalleled opportunity to experience the wonders of the Colorado Desert.

**PARK FEES** are due and payable upon entry into the park. Use the self-registration system if the entrance station is closed. The campsite fee covers one vehicle. There are additional fees for extra vehicles.

**OCCUPANCY:** Each campsite may have up to eight people (including children).

**VEHICLE PARKING:** Vehicles may be parked only in your assigned campsite. They must remain on the pavement and must not extend into the roadway beyond the campsite number or limit line. Three vehicles maximum are allowed per campsite.

**CHECK-OUT TIME** is noon. Please vacate your site by that time. Check-in is 2 p.m.

**RE-REGISTRATION:** If you do not have a reservation and wish to re-register, you must do so before 9:00 the morning you are due out.

**OFF SEASON:** No reservations allowed from May 15 to October 1. Summer heat makes this desert park a dangerous place to hike and camp for the unprepared. Temperatures range from 110 to 120 degrees. First aid for heat exhaustion and heat stroke are common this time of year.

**DOGS** must be kept on a leash no longer than six feet and under control at all times. They are not permitted in buildings or on trails (except for service dogs). Dogs must be confined to a vehicle or tent at night.

FIRES AND FIREWOOD: Please be cautious when building fires. Fires are allowed only in established fire rings or camp stoves. Do not build ground fires outside the fire rings or leave campfires unattended. Do not gather firewood in the park—the nutrients must be allowed to recycle back into the ecosystem. You may purchase firewood from the camp hosts.

**SPEED LIMIT:** The maximum speed limit is 15 mph. When pedestrians, bicyclists and children are present, even 15 mph might be too fast. Use good judgment.

**BICYCLES** are allowed on roadways only.

**QUIET HOURS** are from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. To ensure an enjoyable experience for everyone, please do not disturb other campers, regardless of the time of day or night.

**NOISE:** Radios and other sound-producing devices must not be audible beyond your immediate campsite, regardless of the time of day or night.

**GAMES** that are disruptive to other campers or the environment are strictly prohibited.

**GENERATORS** may be operated only between the hours of 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.

**THEFT WARNING:** Keep your vehicles locked and your valuables out of sight. Do not leave property out at night. Report suspicious activity to a ranger or camp host.

RESERVATIONS FOR CAMPING: You may make camping reservations up to seven months and no less than 48 hours in advance by calling (800) 444-7275 (TTY 800-274-7275). Reservations may be charged to VISA®, Discover® or Mastercard®. To make online reservations, visit our website at www.parks.ca.gov.