

## **7**<sup>th</sup> **A**nnual **C**atalina **I**sland **M**arine **I**nstitute **F**ield **T**rip



## Dates of Trip-March 24-29, 2024 (6 Day Trip)

Who is Invited: 42 RCMS 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Graders

**What:** The CIMI program focuses on marine biology and island ecology. Activities include snorkeling, kayaking, and hiking. Marine lab programs include the shark, ray, and invertebrate touch tanks, plus algae, plankton, fish and terrestrial labs among others. Evening labs include astronomy hike, marine mammals, and squid dissection, to name a few. We do expect every student to participate in every activity including both snorkels. Go to **cimioutdoored.org** for more info and pictures.

**Where**: Fox Landing which is 1 of 2 camps on Catalina Island (located off the coast of Long Beach, CA). This is a location reserved for this camp only, not tourists.

**Other:** 5-6 RCMS staff chaperones (male and female) will be attending. Sorry, we don't have space for parent chaperones.

**Accommodations:** Students will sleep in permanent cabin structures on bunk beds with their sleeping bag. Meals are provided at the camp as part of the price.

**Cost:** \$900 (subject to change slightly based on cost increases).

**Travel:** We use a charter bus company out of Las Vegas. We traditionally travel to Long Beach on a Sunday to stay the night in a hotel before boarding the boat Monday morning.

**Payments:** You can make your first payment of at least \$150 to solidify your spot on the trip for next year. First come, first serve.

Payments have to be cash or money order written out to Rosemary Clarke Middle School. Sorry, no checks are allowed. You can see Mr. B. Veloz of the front office to make your first payment.

By May, 2023 - \$150 By September, 15 - \$150

By October 20th- \$150 (last date to get full amount paid if you back out)

By November 16th- \$150 By January 17th \$150 By February 16th- \$150

By March 8 \$Any final payments

\*You may pay off the trip in advance of deadline dates

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