



CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION & STATE FAIR

March 10, 2010

Dear Principal/Teachers,

The California Exposition & State Fair is offering **"The Farm" Spring Tour** which is a two-hour educational field trip presented by Kaiser Permanente. The tour is designed for grades first through fourth and will include an informational presentation, interpretative walk, planting, harvesting and other "hands-on" activities.

"The Farm" two-hour tour emphasis is plant biology, ecology and the interactions of agricultural systems. It will also be our goal to increase the students' understanding of agriculture and to enhance their abilities to communicate their new findings about California's number one industry.

Tours are available March 23 - May 20, 2010 every Tuesday and Thursday.

The Forest Foundation presents the **"Forest Center"** two-hour tour. Students will step into the forest and learn a wealth of information that covers all aspects of a forest, from its primitive beginning as a seedbed to a thriving ecosystem and the organisms that live in them.

Tours are available April 8 - May 11, 2010 every Tuesday and Thursday.

The field trip times are from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. A picnic area will be provided at both tour locations. We would like to encourage groups to bring a bag lunch.

Tours are provided free of charge, although each school must provide their own transportation and be responsible for adult supervision. At least 4 adults are needed for supervision because students are divided into four work groups. Please have the four groups pre-determined prior to arriving at the tour.

Please make your reservation as soon as possible, as we will accept your request on a first-come first-served basis.

To reserve **"The Farm" Spring Tour**, please complete "The Farm" Tour Reservation Form and mail to the California State Fair Farm Tours or fax to 916-263-7903, Attn: Teresa McEntire, P.O. Box 15649, Sacramento, CA 95852. For further information please contact me at 916-263-3598 or email - tmcentire@calexpo.com.

To reserve a **"Forest Center" Spring Tour**, please complete the "Forest Center" Tour Reservation Form and mail to The Forest Foundation or fax to 530-823-1850, Attn: Pam Sawyer, 853 Lincoln Way, Suite 104, Auburn, CA 95603. For further information please contact Pam Sawyer at 530-823-2363 or email - ps@calforestfoundation.org.

We are looking forward to your participation in the 2010 California Exposition & State Fair Spring Tour Program!

Sincerely,
CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION AND STATE FAIR


Teresa McEntire, Farm Manager