

Grants for Southern California Fieldtrips

School Funding Center <http://www.schoolfundingcenter.info/>

This school grant database has no equal. It lists every federal, state, foundation, and corporate grant available in the United States, updated it daily. Limited free searches, you have to subscribe.

"All Aboard the Bus" Field Trip Grant Program - <http://californiamissionsfoundation.org/all-aboard-the-bus-program/>

The California Missions Foundation, with grants from the William H. Hannon Foundation, the Monterey Peninsula Foundation's Youth Fund, the Nancy Buck Ransom Foundation, the Pebble Beach Company Foundation and the Upjohn California Foundation, is pleased to provide funding for Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and Monterey County Title 1 elementary schools to take 4 graders to their local mission and see first-hand the rich history of our state.

Applications for the 2019-2020 school year will be accepted beginning April 1, 2019 and must be submitted no later than October 31, 2019. Grants will be awarded in December of 2019. Only one online application per school is accepted for all 4th grade classes at the school. Completed online applications, including a written quote from the bus transportation company, must be submitted no later than October 31, 2019. The California Missions Foundation will award grants in December of 2019. Applications for 2019-20 school year are available beginning April 1, 2019.

Captain Planet Foundation - <http://captainplanetfoundation.org/grants/>

Proposal must promote understanding of environmental issues; Field trip must be supplemented by semester-long lesson plan & post-trip contact w/foundation - DOES NOT fund transportation costs

Crystal Cove Alliance K-12 program - <https://crystalcove.org/education/school-programs/>

MPA Citizen Science Cruise, pre-during and post-trip lesson plans, with videos. **Scholarships available for Title 1 schools cruise, transportation.** Sampling abiotic/biotic factors; fish diversity/observations; plankton biodiversity tows; whale-watching. Teacher needs to attend 6 hr Sat. training for \$250 extra scholarship.

"Every Kid in a National Park" National Program for 4th graders - <https://www.everykidoutdoors.gov/index.htm>

Free access to all national parks, lands, and waters through August 30, 2019. Good for a summer bridge program, for parents as well. As a fourth-grade educator, you can download an activity and print paper passes for each of your students. **Program only provides passes for 4th graders.**

Melinda Gray Ardia Environmental Foundation Grants <http://www.mgaef.org/grants.htm> (for PBL, outdoor research projects)

The foundation will award grants of up to \$1,500 to K-12 environmental education projects. Educators who develop environmental curricula that empower and encourage students to seek solutions to environmental and social problems as informed decision makers are eligible.

Metro GoPass Program for Students (Ride FREE anywhere) <https://www.metro.net/riding/fares/gopass/>

Metro Rail Safety Programs <https://www.metro.net/riding/rail-safety-programs/>

Mojave Environmental Education Consortium - <https://meeonline.com/for-teachers/scholarships-and-grants/>

The Enviro Bus Bucks Field Trip Grant Program offers transportation to specified California locations for schools in the Mojave Desert Region

The Nature Conservancy - <https://www.nature.org/en-us/search/?q=Grants>

Search Education Grants by location, topic & places they protect.

NEA Foundation Education Grants - <https://www.neafoundation.org/educator-grants-and-fellowships/>

All applicants must be current members of the National Education Association. The NEA Foundation provides NEA members with grants to improve the academic achievement of students in U.S. public schools and public higher education institutions in any subject area(s).

NEA Student Success Grant: <https://www.neafoundation.org/educator-grants-and-fellowships/student-success-grants/>

Pasadena Educational Foundation Field Trip Fund - <http://pasedfoundation.org/our-work/grants-awards/field-trip-grants/>

The Pasadena Educational Foundation provides grants to support the education of children in the Pasadena Unified School District. The foundation accepts applications year round for field-trip grants. Applicants may download the application from the foundation's website and mail the completed form to the foundation's office. The foundation will pay invoices and mail a grant check to the applicant.

Pasadena Educational Foundation 351 South Hudson Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91109 626-396-3600

Passport to Success (Summer Field Trip Program) -

<https://www.familiesinschools.org/what-we-do/reaching-families/passport-to-success/>

Passport to Success provides families with a learning kit and online resources to explore libraries, museums, and cultural events. The learning kit includes a family resource guide (map) to help families explore the available sites and activities across the county, as well as a passport (stamp book) for tracking your visits. Families that register their summer learning kits through Families In Schools are eligible to receive prizes, participate in weekly scavenger hunts and receive learning tips online. **Site opens in April each year; registration for schools, families closes in June.**

Passport to Success is an innovative family engagement campaign that reduces summer learning loss by encouraging students and families to participate in free or low-cost summer learning activities. Families In Schools, in collaboration with our sponsors, community partners, and schools, will provide thousands of families throughout the Greater Los Angeles area with a free Passport to Success kit, which includes a resource guide (map), with information about summer learning activities, and a family passport (stamp book).

Families can get their passport "stamped" each time they visit a new location or attend an event, or repeat a visit to a location. At the end of the summer, they will be eligible to win prizes if they turn in the last page of the passport that summarizes how many stamps they've collected. Once registered, families will also be challenged with weekly scavenger hunts, and provided with summer learning tips to keep them engaged throughout the campaign.

Society for Science STEM Action Grants - <https://www.societyforscience.org/outreach-and-equity/stem-research-grants/>

STEM Research Grants provide support to middle and high school teachers engaging their students in authentic scientific research, including field research. Teachers can apply for up to \$5,000 in order to purchase specialized equipment or \$1,000 in preselected equipment including Arduino starter kits, soil test kits, and PocketLab sensors.

Toshiba American Foundation <http://www.toshiba.com/taf> (Materials for Field Research, PBL projects)

The mission of Toshiba America Foundation is to promote quality science and mathematics education in U.S. schools. Toshiba America Foundation (TAF) grants fund the projects ideas and materials teachers need to innovate in their math and science classrooms. TAF is interested in funding projects designed by teachers or small teams of teachers for use in their own schools. Grade **K-5 applications** are accepted once a year on **October 1. Grade 6-12 applications for \$5,000 or less are accepted on a rolling basis.** Grant requests of more than \$5,000 are reviewed twice a year.

WalMart Local Giving Program - <https://walmart.org/how-we-give/open-applications>

Walmart believes in operating globally and giving back locally – creating impact in the neighborhoods where we live and work. Through the Local Giving Program, Walmart stores, Sam's Clubs and Logistics facilities can support the needs of their communities by providing grants to local organizations. If you are applying for funding through a Sam's Club location, additional focus areas are considered. Learn more about the [Sam's Club Giving Program](#).

WHALE TAIL® grants program <https://www.coastal.ca.gov/whaletailgrant/> (for PBL, outdoor research projects)

The WHALE TAIL® grants program supports marine science education and projects encouraging people to value and take action to improve the health of California's marine and coastal environments. This year there is a special subcategory for projects addressing climate change and/or ocean acidification. Emphasis is on reaching underserved students or members of the general public. Nonprofits, schools, and government agencies may apply. Applicants may request up to \$50,000, and 25% of the funding will be allocated in small grants below \$20,000.

SPECIFIC VENUE SCHOLARSHIP/FREE PROGRAMS

Aquarium of the Pacific Field Trip Scholarship

<http://www.aquariumofpacific.org/education/yourfieldtrip/scholarshipform>

Only Non-Profit schools who fall into one of the following categories may apply: Those schools receiving funding for low income children through the state of California (Title I) and/or 40% or more of the student body qualifies for free or reduced meals. Support is contingent upon the availability of funds and the level of need. We cannot guarantee or predict the availability of funds. Should funds be unavailable at the time your application is approved your school will be placed on a waiting list for funding. Schools remain on the waiting list until they can be served.

Betty White's Zoo Pals Scholarships <https://lazoo.org/plan-your-visit/for-educators/zoo-pals/>

ZOO PALS is a special grant-funded program for Title I schools that provides Kindergarten-5th grade teachers and their students with FREE programming and supplies for their students.

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium FREE admission FREE guided Aquarium tours, self-guided or docent-led coastal park research (salt marsh, tide pools, inner and outer harbor pier pilings and sandy beach), 3 hr "Sea Search classes" (low-cost or **free with scholarship**; support is contingent upon the availability of funds and the level of need,) **free** teacher workshops. <https://www.cabrillomarinaquarium.org/education/programs-school.asp>

Fullerton Arboretum Environmental Ed Programs (E.E.P)

[https://fullertonarboretum.org/eep.aspx#:~:text=The%20Environmental%20Education%20Program%20\(E.E.P.,learn%20about%20nature%20hands%20on](https://fullertonarboretum.org/eep.aspx#:~:text=The%20Environmental%20Education%20Program%20(E.E.P.,learn%20about%20nature%20hands%20on)
Outdoor Ed programs for grades 3-7. Teachers are provided with advanced materials, a **FREE** visit to the Arboretum including **FREE BUS** transportation and a post-visit test.

LA Sanitation Districts FREE Buses/Tours <https://www.lacsd.org/community-outreach/educational-programs/school-tour-program>

Teach 5th – 12th grade at a public or private school. College instructors at accredited 4-year IHE are also eligible. 1.5 hr tour
Your school must be located in the [Sanitation Districts' service area](#). Visit either a materials recovery facility/landfill or wastewater treatment plant.

Santa Monica Mountains - Every 4th Grader FREE <https://www.nps.gov/samo/learn/education/classrooms/field-trips.htm>

USC Sea Grant Program – Island Explorers Program <http://domsife.usc.edu/uscseagrant/island-explorers/>

Sea Grant's Island Explorers Program exposes students to marine science and other disciplines through classroom use of curriculum materials. The student-centered science curriculum is characterized by hands-on marine science and uniquely focuses on Southern California and Catalina Island coastal environments. It is multidisciplinary and multifaceted, introducing students not only to marine biology, but also to geography and geology, physics, chemistry, and ecology. To support teachers in the use of these curricula, Sea Grant provides teachers with lessons plans and in-person and online workshops with scientific experts.

As part of the Island Explorers program, many students participate on field trips to local beaches and aquaria, or travel by vessel to the USC Wrigley Marine Science Center (WMSC) on Catalina Island for single day and overnight programs. At the USC Wrigley Marine Science Center, students participate in waterfront studies, laboratory experiments, and island biogeography excursions.

For more information contact: Linda Chilton 213-740-1965 email: lchilton@usc.edu

For Supplemental Materials/Field Equipment AND Fieldtrips

DonorsChoose.org <http://www.donorschoose.org/>

Example of 24 funded projects by one teacher – over \$20,000 in materials, 6 fieldtrips earned

<http://www.donorschoose.org/we-teach/321275> - click on “31 completed projects” and after reading the ones displayed, click on “show more” at the bottom...

How do I earn, spend, or lose points?

You earn a point every time:

1. Your project is funded and you confirm you still want the materials within 6 days.
2. You return a thank-you package that is complete and compelling.
3. You return your thank-you package on or before its due date.

School Fundraisers

Phoneraiser <http://www.phoneraiser.com/>

No cost to sign up for program; collects all brands used cell phones & ink jet cartridges

Reuses/refurbishes viable phones, and recycles non-viable phones according to EPA guidelines; ink jet cartridges are recycled and then reused in the marketplace; pays for shipping of collected phones/ink jet cartridges and sends check to school.