



**THREE RIVERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
FIELD TRIP APPROVED LIST  
2022-2023**

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TK-8th Grade				
Location	Grades	Month	Location	Decription
Airport tour	7 <sup>th</sup>	January	TBD	Students will read the book Dragonwings in class and have an opportunity to tour a local airport.  The book Dragonwings is inspired by the story of a Chinese immigrant who created a flying machine in 1909, Dragonwings touches on the struggles and dreams of Chinese immigrants navigating opportunity and prejudice in San Francisco.
Big L Ranch	2 <sup>nd</sup>	TBD	Woodlake	Bi L ranch offers an excellent venue for up to 100 students with a large parking lot for buses. They provide an educational component, teaching kids where their food comes from, blueberries to pick and take home, and a shady spot to eat lunch with other activities and games.
Chaffee Zoo	TK, K, 1 <sup>st</sup>	May	Fresno	Throughout the school year, Fresno Chaffee Zoo offers many unique educational experiences that are fun, engaging and interactive. Programs range in grade levels and provide activities that reinforce standard based concepts to enrich your school year curriculum. They also have packets available to help focus students during a self-guided Zoo trip with scavenger hunts and fact sheets.
Civil War Reenactment in Fresno	8 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	TBD	At Civil war reenactments, reenactors recreate the battles, daily lives and most important events that happened during the Civil war. These reenactments are the most popular in the United States, but events are held all over the world. Some commonly reenacted characters are General Robert E. Lee, President Abraham Lincoln and the American politician Jefferson Finis Davis. At its heart, the Fresno County Historical Society says, the Civil War Revisited event has been about connecting students in the San Joaquin Valley to history.
Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park	5 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Earlimart	In 1974, the California Department of Parks and Recreation purchased land within the historic townsite of Allensworth, and it became Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park. Today, a collection of historic, restored, and reconstructed early 20th-century buildings—including the Allensworth’s house, Allensworth School, Baptist church, and library—showcase the dreams of these visionary pioneers.
Columbia State Park	4 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Columbia	Columbia State Historic Park is one of the most popular places for California elementary school groups to visit. Most California Schools teach California history in the fourth grade with a partial focus on the discovery of gold. Field Trips by the hundreds come to Columbia for the “hands on” experience their students can enjoy. Through a reservation system, the park staff interprets Columbia History to over 20,000 students each year. Untold numbers of other children visit the park without the benefit of the staff program.
Dairies	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup>	TBD	Tulare	During the farm tours, students learn how farmers care for their cows, conserve their natural resources, and produce dairy products that are full of nutrition.
Dry Creek Preserve	6 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Woodlake	Dry Creek Preserve is a 152-acre former gravel quarry located just northwest of Lemon Cove. This nature preserve, now fully restored, is the first example of an ecologically-based aggregate mine reclamation in Tulare County. It is open from dawn to dusk, 365 days per year.

Enchanted Playhouse	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup>	TBD	TBD	Enchanted Playhouse was founded in 1991 by Susan Sluka (Gutierrez). When she started Enchanted Playhouse, there were no other theatres in the area that were offering plays for kids to see (she had an 8-year-old son who therefore could not enjoy her passion for theatre). She wanted to create a company that would present theatre: good, respectable, quality theatre, designed for young audiences, yet sophisticated enough to appeal to adults as well. In February 1992, Enchanted Playhouse opened with its first production of Rumpelstiltskin at Rotary Theatre. The same season the company presented The Secret Garden, Merlin's Tale of Arthur's Magic Sword and Beauty and the Beast. This also started field trips for school children to attend the shows.
Fresno Philharmonic Orchestra	3 <sup>rd</sup>	TBD	TBD	The Fresno Philharmonic regularly partners with individual schools and teachers to bring school groups to rehearsals and concerts. These opportunities are usually customized depending on the grade-level, interest, and learning objectives of your students.
Fresno Art Museum	5 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Fresno	The Fresno Art Museum's School Field Trips and ArtLink sessions are the perfect field trip for children to enjoy the experience of the many fascinating and wonderful exhibits that FAM has to offer! Our ArtLink program offers a variety of hands-on art activities held in our classroom as well as guided tours by a FAM ArtLink art instructor.
Getty Villa Visit & Overnight Campout w/tidepools	6 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup>	April	Malibu	Whether on site at the Getty Center or the Getty Villa museums, or online with Virtual Art Explorations, students will engage in deep investigations and close looking, drawing exercises, movement activities, and more. During a Getty field trip, students explore a selection of artworks from the Getty collection using our inquiry-based learning approach that centers students' experiences and helps to foster a deep appreciation for the arts and culture.
Goat Farm	2 <sup>nd</sup>	TBD	South Fork in Three Rivers	Students will spend a fun day visiting a local goat farm.
L.J. Williams Theater	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Visalia	LJ Williams is an event and performance theatre located at Redwood High School.
La Purisima Mission	4 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Lompoc	La Purisima Mission State Historic Park is open nearly every day for self-guided tours. The park interpreters lead a free one o'clock tour most days. The park frequently provides a re-creation of mission life during the 1820's, when the residents engaged in weaving, pottery making, candle making, blacksmithing, animal husbandry, and leatherwork.
Lunch/Movie	7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	TBD	Student will read some novels in class and have an opportunity to enjoy an outing which ties in with their readings of Dragonwings, The Outsiders, Westside Story, Romeo & Juliet.  The book Dragonwings is inspired by the story of a Chinese immigrant who created a flying machine in 1909, Dragonwings touches on the struggles and dreams of Chinese immigrants navigating opportunity and prejudice in San Francisco.  The classic novelization of one of Broadway's most enduring and beloved musicals, West Side Story. Evocative and unforgettable, this novelization brings out all of the depth, drama, and beauty of one of the most enduring stories in the history of American theater.
McKellar Farms/Farmer Bob's World	2 <sup>nd</sup> .	TBD	Ivanhoe	A general admission ticket allows visitors to come and enjoy Farmer Bob's farm including the farm equipment and animal exhibit, gift shop, demonstration orchard, and an opportunity to pick an orange.

Monrovia Nursery Co.	2 <sup>nd</sup>	TBD	Woodlake	Founded in 1926, Monrovia is one of the leading growers of plants and village nurseries. It grows proprietary Monrovia plants for landscape professionals in the tri-state region of California, Arizona and Nevada. The company administers the Grower Alliance Program and utilizing proprietary soil and mineral mixes. Monrovia produces more than 2,000 different varieties and over 20 million plants annually. Its plants are shipped to independent garden centers from its nurseries in Visalia and Venice Hills in California, as well as Oregon, North Carolina and Georgia. The company is a family-owned entity.
Mooney Grove Park and Historical Museum	3 <sup>rd</sup>	TBD	Visalia	The Tulare County Museum houses one of the largest Native American basket collections in California as well as artifacts of the pioneer era, agriculture equipment, restored buildings and many other treasures that tell the history of Tulare County. The newest addition to the museum is the History of Farm Labor and Agriculture Museum, where each cultural group and their contributions to farm labor and agriculture will be featured. The museum aims to educate residents of Tulare County as well as visitors on the importance of Tulare County and its history with the hope of recognizing the unique role it has played in California History.
Mural Tour-Guided walking	5 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Exeter	The rich history of the City of Exeter is depicted in its murals. "Exeter – A Festival of Arts" is a volunteer organization under the direction of the Exeter Chamber of Commerce dedicated to promoting the arts and tourism by providing an outdoor art gallery reflecting Exeter's history and culture. Each year, thousands of visitors come to admire the murals and many share the results online.
Pistachio Farm	2 <sup>nd</sup>	TBD	Visalia	Students will spend a fun day visiting a local pistachio farm.
Planetarium & Science Center	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Tulare	<p>The Planetarium &amp; Science Center is a multimedia educational facility designed to provide unique and exciting learning experiences which supplement and reinforce the classroom curriculum. A variety of educational programs are offered throughout the school year and are available to all students in Tulare County, including special education and preschool.</p> <p>All programs meet the criteria of enriching and expanding the classroom curriculum while providing a learning experience that cannot be duplicated in the regular classroom. The planetarium provides the opportunity to explore the wonders of the universe in an exciting and stimulating manner. Visitors will take imaginary but realistic trips through our solar system, as well as explore a variety of other astronomy-related topics.</p>
Rangers in the Classroom	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup>	TBD	On-Site	Rangers present free interpretive programs for students in the classroom throughout the year. They offer a variety of curriculum-based program opportunities that combine the California science standards with the natural and cultural resources found in the parks.
River Water Pottery Studio	2 <sup>nd</sup>	TBD	Anne Brown Three Rivers	The studio overlooks the South Fork of the Kaweah River and is surrounded by nature which is the inspiration for many of the colors and shapes reflected in the pottery. Leaves, flowers, trees, and animals find their way into the wheel thrown shapes made by Anne on the potter's wheel. H.J.'s creations are hand-built, usually starting as a flat piece of clay from the slab roller. Sometimes their work is collaborative – leaves impressed and cut by H.J., then glazed by Anne. The Ikebana "leaf frogs" are just such a collaboration – leaves created by hand and then a wheel thrown pot attached to hold the flowers.
Sacramento State Capitol / Train	8 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Sacramento	The California State Capitol is the seat of the California government, located in Sacramento, the capital of California. The Capitol building serves as both a museum and the state's working seat of government. The building houses the chambers of the California State Legislature, made up of the California State Assembly and the California State Senate, along with the office of the Governor of California. Visitors to the Capitol can at once experience California's rich history and witness the making of history through the modern lawmaking process. The Capitol Museum is part of the California Department of Parks and Recreation, and one of hundreds of State Parks in California.

San Francisco/ Charter Bus)	8 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	San Francisco	<p>From the fog rolling under the Golden Gate Bridge to America's only moving National Historic Landmark, San Francisco is home to some of the most iconic attractions in the world.</p> <p>Student will get an opportunity to visit various attractions including: Pier 39, Ripley's Believe It or Not!, Museum of 3D Illusions, Hostelling International SF Fisherman's Wharf, Ghiradelli Sqaure, Chinatown, Oracle Park, Golden Gate Bridge, Musee Mecanique, and Alcatraz.</p>
SCICON / Day trip	5 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Springville	<p>SCICON's Fifth Grade Day Trip is an important science learning field trip. Students are led by experienced trail guides on one of the SCICON trails to experience nature firsthand and to be introduced to important science concepts. Lessons that focus on the natural resources of trees or water are presented. The lessons are designed to support the fifth-grade science standards, as well as encourage a sense of excitement and discovery.</p>
SCICON Week Environmental Camp	6 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Springville	<p>When your child is in the sixth grade, he or she will have the opportunity to attend SCICON for the entire school week. This is an important week for many reasons. During this week, your child will take many educational hikes learning about the geology of SCICON, studying the plants and animals that live in and along Bear Creek, identifying the birds that live locally, understanding the importance of composting for uses in a garden, and exploring the hills of SCICON while taking the famous Sky Trail Hike to the Hermit's Cabin.</p> <p>The week at SCICON, for many students, is the first time they've been away from home. But you can rest assured that SCICON provides a safe, comfortable place for a child to experience an event such as this. By the week's end, students who arrived as strangers have become good friends, the natural result of children getting the opportunity to live, learn, and love nature together at SCICON.</p>
<p>Sequoia &amp; Kings National Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Giant Forest Area</li> <li>• Moro Rock</li> <li>• Crystal Cave</li> <li>• Ranger-led Park Day Trip</li> <li>• Atwell Mill Campout</li> <li>• Animal diversity count</li> <li>• Bio-blitz</li> <li>• Day Hikes</li> <li>• Lodgepole</li> <li>• Crescent Meadow</li> <li>• Cross Country</li> <li>• Life Zones</li> <li>• Kaweah Watershed</li> <li>• Animal Diversity Count</li> <li>• Grant Grove</li> <li>• Park Ridge Lookout</li> </ul>	2 <sup>nd</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Three Rivers	<p>The wilderness of Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks protects one of America's most superlative scenic landscapes. An extraordinary continuum of ecosystems is arrayed along the greatest vertical relief (1,370 to 14,505 feet in elevation) of any protected area in the lower 48 states. Magnificent glacial canyons, broad lake basins, lush meadows, and sheer granite peaks--hallmarks of the most rugged portion of the High Sierra--form the core of the largest expanse of contiguous wilderness in California, which is visited and valued by people from around the world.</p> <p>In September of 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Wilderness Act, which made the preservation and protection of wild places a national priority. As a result of that act and subsequent state and federal legislation, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks currently protect over 808,000 acres of designated wilderness in addition to 29,500 acres of proposed wilderness.</p>
Terminus Dam	3 <sup>rd</sup>	TBD	Lake Kaweah	<p>The Lake Kaweah Terminus Dam, America's largest spillway fusegates, diverse wildlife, Native American history, and water recreation comprise the Lake Kaweah story located in the southern Sierra Nevada. Dating back almost a century, Kaweah River Valley residents fought to protect their towns from flooding by damming the Kaweah River.</p> <p>The Lake Kaweah Terminus Dam is a popular spot for bass fishing from the lake or shore. Lakeside campground is available, and the lake is an excellent location for family outings. Visitors can enjoy horseback riding, hiking and mountain bike trails when the lake is low, late summer until mid-winter.</p>

Stargazing- (optional activity with families in evening)	5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	TRUS	<p>Stargazing, or astronomy, is the study and enjoyment of the stars. Actually, it's not just about stars – other objects visible in the night sky include galaxies; planets; and other rocky things flying around in space, like asteroids; meteoroids; meteors ('shooting stars').</p> <p>Stargazing is great for getting you out of doors and learning about the night sky. Apart from anything else, staring up at a sky full of stars is a beautiful, awe-inspiring experience that really puts things in perspective. It's mind-blowing to think about how small and young we (modern humans are around 150,000 years old, depending on where you draw the line) and our planet (4.3 billion years) are. Kids in particular tend to love learning about the stars, and astronomy is great for encouraging an interest in the world around them (hunting for aliens seems to be particularly appealing).</p>
The Zalud House	5 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Porterville	<p>In 1891 The ZALUD Family, immigrants from Bohemia, built themselves an elaborate European-style mansion with a mansard roof, a style that was unique in the Californian city of Porterville at the time. John Zalud ran a successful saloon with a card room in the back, and his bets in some high-stakes card games paid off. But in 1912 their fortunes began to change.</p> <p>The family endured an unlikely string of tragedies, and this sad history has been preserved in a small museum at the old house, which has long been rumored to be haunted. The Zalud house is unique as the entire house is furnished with the family's actual possessions, and walking inside is like taking a step back in time more than 100 years. In a part of California that has long since given way to urban sprawl and innumerable strip malls, the Zalud house offers a glimpse of what life was like in a previous age.</p>
Three Rivers Cemetery	2 <sup>nd</sup>	TBD	Three Rivers	<p>A lesson in Three Rivers history is as near as the local cemetery. In telling children and grandchildren the story of those who have come before them, a stop at the Three Rivers Cemetery is an important chapter.</p> <p>A visit to a cemetery, any cemetery, especially one in which family members are interred, can inspire strong emotions: awe at the perseverance of those who lived in a different era, a sense of connection with this past, sadness for the loss of life, a newfound awareness of one's own mortality, and a commitment and sense of purpose to preserve the memories of those who have lived here previously. Today, the scenic site at the foot of Blossom Peak and with a view of Lake Kaweah contains plaques, monuments, and headstones that are an important part of local history and furnish insight into the community and those who have resided here. Blossom Peak's namesake family has gravesites at the Cemetery.</p>
Three Rivers Fire Department	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup>	TBD	On Site	The local Fire department provide students with fire safety presentations that are given to kids of any age and are tailored for the specific audience and age group.
Three Rivers Historical Museum/ Walking Trip	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup>	TBD	Three Rivers	This Historical Society was founded by a group of people that truly believed that with time the "Museum" and all its parts can make a difference in our community.
Tulare County Fair	2 <sup>nd</sup>	TBD	Tulare	The County of Tulare is one of the richest agricultural counties in the State of California and thus the nation. The Tulare County Fair is a showcase for the County of Tulare's lifeblood... agriculture, and the fair provides a wonderful opportunity for people from throughout the State of California to learn more about both agriculture and the dairy industry. In addition, there are numerous family-oriented forms of entertainment.

Tulare County Impact Center	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup>	TBD	Visalia	Provides Native American and Valley History
Tulare County Youth Symphony	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	Visalia	For over 50 years, the Tulare County Symphony League has been supporting youth music education in Tulare County and the Sequoia Symphony Orchestra. The League distributes student scholarships, oversees multiple music education programs in schools, raises its own funding, and champions the Sequoia Symphony Orchestra bringing excellent music to Tulare County.
Vossler's Farm Pumpkin Patch	TK, K, 1 <sup>st</sup>	October	Visalia	Students will spend a fun day visiting the pumpkin patch and corn maze.
Water Play Day/Pool Party (End of the Year)	1 <sup>st</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup>	May/June	TBD	Students spend a fun day at a local waterpark or local swimming pool (i.e., Time Out waterslides, Island Waterpark).
Woodlake High School-Girls Basketball Game	5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup>	February	Woodlake	Students will have an opportunity to watch an evening high school basketball game at Woodlake high school.
Woodlake Career Day	8 <sup>th</sup>	October	WHS	Students spend a morning exploring various college and careers. They are provided an opportunity to meet various college and career representatives. This event is sponsored by Woodlake Unified School District.
Woodlake High School Orientation	8 <sup>th</sup>	April / May	WHS	Students will have an opportunity to visit the Woodlake High School campus and enroll for high school, classes.



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