

RECLAMATION

Managing Water in the West

LAKE BERRYESSA WATER EDUCATION FIELD PROGRAM

Lake Berryessa: Protecting Your Future, One Drop at a Time!

IS THIS JUST ANOTHER FIELD TRIP?

No. The education program is an interdisciplinary learning experience for students in grades 4-6. The program integrates the natural resources of Lake Berryessa and California State standards. The thematic program was developed in cooperation with educators from our local communities including Napa, Winters, Sacramento, and the Bay Area.

WILL PARK RANGERS HELP ME TEACH MY STUDENTS?

Your class will join a Park Ranger to learn about living water resources at a Federal reservoir in your area-Lake Berryessa. The program utilizes Park Rangers as the subject experts and primary instructors, with assistance from the classroom teachers. The park outdoor "classroom" becomes the primary teaching resource. In addition to the on-site learning experience, the teacher packet includes pre-visit materials including logistical information, a pre/post test for comprehension, and pre and post-site activities that will help teachers supplement the on-site experience. Rangers are available for classroom visits to conduct water education lesson (i.e. pre-site visit).

WHAT WILL MY STUDENTS DO?

The program is correlated to 5th grade curriculum standards, and is appropriate for grades 4-6. Students will explore Lake Berryessa resources found around the Oak Shores Day Use Park. They will see, hear, and learn first hand about:

- The value of water resources in our community
- Lake biology and chemistry
- Water conservation practices at home and in the community
- The complex water delivery system of this area

HOW CAN MY CLASS PARTICIPATE?

Three to four hour programs (including lunch time) are offered Monday through Friday, September – May. Classes typically arrive by 10:00 and leave by 1:00, but times are flexible depending on your drive time and field trip constraints. Class size: minimum 10; maximum 60. School groups are required to be accompanied by teachers and chaperones, with at least one adult per 10 students. Teachers and chaperones are responsible for all discipline and must remain with the group during the program. Programs are conducted rain or shine, but may be re-scheduled due to extreme weather.

Contact the Lead Interpretive Park Ranger at 707-966-2111 ext. 112 or email [Lead Park Ranger](#) for more information. There is NO CHARGE to participate.



[Lake Berryessa Water Education Booklet](#) (pdf - 1.7 MB)