CATALINA ISLAND MARINE INSTITUTE AT TOYON BAY

To best address your program needs, we utilize a system for early program planning. Because our phone calls often interrupt your classes and catch you off guard, we conduct the initial program planning by mail.

Please complete the information below and return it to the CIMI Program Office using the self-addressed envelope provided. The earlier we have your planner information, the easier it will be to schedule your selected programs. Once received, your program will be coordinated with the other groups attending CIMI during your scheduled time. The CIMI Program Office will contact you to confirm the final details of your program.

**GROUP INFORMATION**

School Group ___________________________ From ___________________________

Program Dates ___________________________ Grade Level ___________________________

Adult Leader ___________________________ Will You be attending?

Phone Number ___________________________

Work: ___________________________

Home/Cell: ___________________________

Email: ___________________________

Contracted # of Spaces ______ # of students _____________ # of Chaperones _______

attending ________________ attending ________________

**PROGRAM INFORMATION**

Five-day field trips include **EIGHT** daytime sessions and **FOUR** evening programs. Please check off your program selections below. For a complete description of each program, please consult Program descriptions in this syllabus or contact our office. (Please note maximum numbers on some evening activities.)

**WATER ACTIVITIES**

- **X Orientation Snorkel** – 1st Snorkel: Emphasis on acclimating students to snorkel gear and marine environment.
- **X Basic Snorkel** – 2nd Snorkel – Emphasis on marine fish, invertebrate ID and ecosystems.
- **X Marine Eco-Snorkel** – A chance to demonstrate snorkeling skills and enhance observation of marine organisms.
- **XX Toyon Adventure Day** – Circle one of the following three options:
  1. Kayaking and climbing wall. Select one lunch option a) Picnic b) Dining Hall c) BBQ
  2. Day Kayak with picnic lunch
  3. Day Nature Walk with picnic lunch

**LABORATORIES**

- **X Fish – Shark- Algae** – A 3-hour introduction to the subjects of fishes, sharks and the algae of Southern California through ID, classification, and aquariums. (3-group rotation)
- **X Plankton – Invertebrate** – (Your Choice). Students have an opportunity in this 3-hour program to study plankton utilizing our video microscopes and delve into the world of marine invertebrates. Please choose your third activity below:
  1. Oceanography – Students will perform hands-on oceanographic research from our float.
  2. Marine Mammals - Students are introduced to marine mammals, their adaptations and survival strategies in our marine mammal hall.
  3. Mini Hike – This mini hike exposes students to local geology, flora and fauna.
- **X Terrestrial Lab & Hike** – An aggressive 2-mile hike used to explore the island’s ecosystems, its flora and fauna, and local indigenous uses for both. Incorporated into the hike are many games and activities used as learning tools. (Island of the Blue Dolphins is a great story for the class to read before hand.)

(Over)
EVENING

(Please select **FOUR** of the following activities)

**NIGHT PROGRAMS**

___ **Astronomy Night Hike** – A look at constellations and planets from the bluffs/hills of Toyon Bay, often accompanied by legends and stories from around the world.

___ **Squid Dissection** – Students learn the external and internal anatomy of the squid via an organized group dissection (in teams of 2).

___ **Marine Mammals** – Students are introduced to marine mammals, their adaptations and survival strategies in our marine mammal hall.

___ **Creatures of the Night** – Students learn about organisms that are adapted to perpetual dark or nocturnal conditions using activities and a dark maze.

___ **Santa Clara Island Game** – Small groups of students work together to design an island, keeping in mind the issues of island ecology.

___ **Night Snorkel** – ($5.00 per student) Students must have successfully and confidently completed at least one daytime snorkel before participating in a night snorkel. Students use underwater lights to explore the nocturnal life of Toyon Bay with CIMI Instructors.

___ **Climbing Wall** – We light up the wall and play music as your group climbs. Instruction and equipment is provided, no previous climbing experience is needed.

___ **Catalina Island Above and Below** – After viewing a video, students are grouped together to debate topics on island ecology and conservation.

**SCHOOL-LED / SUPERVISED ACTIVITIES**

___ **Campfire** – This is a school led activity after one of your evening programs; we supply the fire and marshmallows, you supply the fun!

___ **Student-Team Building Activities** – (e.g. icebreakers, group bonding initiatives, trouble-shooting…) These activities can be worked into various daytime and evening programs if you request.

___ **Sleep!** – If there are students who are exhausted and want to go to bed early, this is always an option. Students, however, must stay in their rooms and have at least one chaperone with them at all times.