



Fullerton Arboretum
3rd Grade Children's Environmental Education Program (CEEP)
2011-12 Individual Teacher Application
(3rd Grade Teachers Only)

Form must be submitted to Fullerton Arboretum with all signatures no later than June 17th, 2011. Applications will be considered on a first come, first served basis. Confirmation of in-service registration and tour date will be sent via email by June 24th, 2011.

Program Description: CEEP exists to provide a living laboratory for the study of life sciences and to make Fullerton Arboretum resources accessible to area teachers and students. The program is specifically designed to help students meet 3rd Grade California Science Content Standards for Life Sciences.

CEEP provides the following benefits for teachers and students:

- a) Complete teacher training/orientation program
- b) Comprehensive lessons, activities and materials provided by a certified AIMS instructor and trained science teachers at in-service training to be used for a unit of classroom instruction before the field study trip to the Arboretum
- c) Stipend of up to \$100 to help cover the cost of a substitute on Oct. 6th, 2011 for in-service training day
- d) Class field study trip to the Arboretum led by Nature Guides (Arboretum docents) focusing on interactive and hands-on experiences that develop content knowledge, vocabulary, and process skills directly related to the specific California Science Standards listed on our website
- e) Bus transportation stipend for field study trip of up to \$75/classroom
- f) Pre-unit and post-unit assessments and trip follow-up classroom activities

For complete program description, visit http://fullertonarboretum.org/edu_programs_teacher_children.php.

Applicant General Information

Each applying teacher must fill out an individual application form. Thank you.

Applicant Teacher Name: _____ Home Email: _____

School: _____ District/School Type: _____ School Email: _____

District Billing Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

District Phone: _____ School Phone: _____ School Fax: _____

Prior CEEP participation? ___ Yes ___ No If yes, number of years: _____

To limit unnecessary bus transportation expense on field study trips beyond the \$75/classroom provided by the Fullerton Arboretum, **we strongly suggest that two teachers per school participate in this program and share the same field study trip date and a "split" bus schedule** (bus driver drops off and picks up students only – does not wait in the parking lot during the field study trip).

Total teachers applying from your school: _____ *(Each teacher must fill out an individual application form.)*

In-Service Registration

In-person attendance is required for first-time participants; returning teachers may also attend in-service.

Attending in-service? ___ Yes ___ No

Field Study Trip Registration

Only 3rd grade students are allowed on the field study trips. Every effort will be made to schedule the field study trip on first requested date. **Please indicate your first, second, and third field trip choices from the choices below (All trips take place on a Thursday):**

2011: Oct 13, 20 Nov 3, 10, 17 Dec 1, 8, 15

2012: Jan 5, 12, 19, 26 Feb 2, 9, 16, 23 Mar 1, 8, 22, 29 Apr 5, 12, 26 May 3

First Choice: _____ Second Choice: _____ Third Choice: _____

Approx. For **Your Class**: **Total** # of 3rd Gr. Students: ___ # of Gate Students: ___ # of Special Needs Students: ___

Stipends

Provided program requirements are met on time, Fullerton Arboretum is able to provide up to \$100/teacher for a substitute during the in-service and up to \$75/classroom for bus transportation on field study trip day as needed. To allow other teachers access to necessary funds, please indicate below your need:

Substitute stipend \$ amount needed: _____ (up to \$100/teacher)

Bus transportation stipend \$ amount needed: _____ (up to \$75/class)

Requirements for Participation

The following requirements are necessary to maintain grant funding for CEEP and to preserve a high degree of program integrity and excellence. Therefore, continued enrollment during the course of the program is contingent on the following:

1. **The first 46 new applicants and returning applicants in good standing with CEEP who submit a completed application by June 17th will be admitted into the program.** Fullerton Arboretum will email confirmation of acceptance and field study trip dates by **June 24th, 2011**.
2. Each participating teacher agrees to **administer CEEP pretest and submit compiled pretest results by Oct. 1, 2011** to abecker@fullerton.edu using test master and score result form which will be available on our website. Only teachers who do so will be admitted to teacher in-service training day and/or receive this year's newest teacher materials.
3. **First-time participating teachers agree to personally attend and participate in full day in-service training on Thursday, October 6th, 2011.** All new teachers who personally attend the full in-service training will receive substitute stipend of up to \$100 for in-service day. (Returning teachers may also attend in-service training if they choose; stipends for returning teachers are subject to availability of funds.)
4. Each participating teacher agrees to **teach a self-designed unit on biomes and plants before taking field study trip** (resources, instructions, and prep time provided at in-service), **communicate with CEEP administrators** regarding unit and field study trip as requested, and **bring students to field study trip** as scheduled.
5. Each participating teacher agrees to **administer CEEP posttest and submit compiled posttest results as well as trip evaluation forms from teacher/parent within 2 weeks of tour** to abecker@fullerton.edu using CEEP masters available for download on our website.
6. **Extended Opportunity:** In addition, teachers are **invited to submit examples of applied student learning** (i.e. writing sample, photo essay, art project, poster, etc) for possible display at the Fullerton Arboretum and for use in program promotion and funding.

Signatures

By signing below, the principal ensures the applicant will meet the above requirements for CEEP program participation and understands that stipends will only be paid when above requirements are met.

Principal's Name: _____

Principal's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

By signing below, the teacher agrees to meet the above requirements for CEEP program participation and understands that stipends will only be paid when above requirements are met.

Teacher's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

CEEP CONTACT INFORMATION

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