Journey TO THE OCEAN
NEWPORT SEA BASE
S.T.E.M. & MARINE-BASED FIELD TRIP PROGRAM

THANK YOU ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA ANA!

HIGHLIGHTS & TESTIMONIALS 2018

Becky Posse, Taft – 2nd Grade Teacher

As always, we had such a great time! This field trip is so important to our inner-city students. Many of them have never been to the ocean or on a boat before. It's so fulfilling to see their excited faces when they see the ocean and step out on to a boat for the first time. The field trip highlights the following state science standards: The diversity of life in different habitats (LS4-1), Maps shows where things are located (ESS2-2) and Water found on Earth can be solid or liquid (ESS2-3). They use problem solving skills to create their own sails, based on the sails they observed in the sample regatta. The students use their math skills to measure sails and discuss the best geometric shapes to create a sail. It's such a wonderful field trip, and I feel grateful that my students (and my own children at Newport Elementary) have been able to enjoy this field trip.

Jennifer L'heureux, Franklin – 3rd Grade Teacher

Thank you for another wonderful field trip! Our students always have a super day of learning. Your organization does a thorough job of teaching our students the 3rd grade science standards while motivating them to be responsible citizens of the environment. Of course, the boat ride is usually a first and a highlight for many of them as well!

Bridget Gartner, Hoover – 3rd Grade Teacher

The field trip was an amazing opportunity to experience a wonderful place that they would never be able to see on their own. The whole experience, especially the pollution runoff and water filtration activity, helps the students become more responsible stewards of the bay. Currently, we are teaching our students about biomes and also about recycling, reducing, and reusing. The activities at the Newport Sea Base helped our students make real-life connections with what they've been learning about in the classroom. I hope we can come back next year.