



End-of-the-Year Trip Los Angeles June 9-12, 2013

A Note from Headmaster Gordon Sichi:

It's time to gear up for our End-of-the-Year Trip! Included below is important trip information for both parents and students. If you have any questions, please call the school office.

- **Departure:** Students should **arrive on campus at 6:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 9** for a prompt 7 a.m. departure on Santa Barbara Airbus.
- **Food for the Bus:** Students need to bring **snacks, drinks, and a sack lunch** for our full day of scheduled activities on Sunday.
- **Return:** We expect to **return to campus by 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 12**. Parents are asked to pick up their students on campus at that time.
- **Accommodations:** We will be staying at **Hosteling International USA, LA/Santa Monica** (phone number 310-393-9913 – for emergencies only, please). Suzie and I stayed there in February to check it out, and it's a very nice facility in a safe part of Santa Monica.
- **What Students Need to Bring:** Please refer to the **attached list** of items needed for this trip. It is very important that your student **pack lightly and compactly**. A medium-size duffle bag or suitcase would be perfect for this trip. It is **ESSENTIAL to have good walking shoes**, so please plan accordingly.
- **Activities:** Here are some of the activities we're planning and places we'll be visiting in the Los Angeles area:
 - Chinese American Museum
 - Olvera Street
 - Watts Towers
 - Museum of Tolerance
 - Tour: UCLA
 - California Science Center (Space Shuttle Endeavor and IMAX film on repairing the Hubble telescope)
 - The GRAMMY Museum
 - LA County Museum of Art (Upper School)
 - Petersen Automotive Museum (Lower School)
 - Korean Cultural Center
 - Santa Monica Pier / Beach activities
 - Hike: Griffith Park
 - Griffith Park Observatory
 - Baseball game: Los Angeles Dodgers vs. Arizona Diamondbacks
 - An authentic Korean dinner at Hodari in Koreatown
 - A multi-course Italian dinner at Buca di Beppo right next door to the hostel
- **Cost:** The all-inclusive **cost of this year's trip is \$385**. Please send your \$385 check, payable to Anacapa School, **as soon as possible and no later than Wednesday, June 5**.
- **Medications:** If your student will need to take any medications (including over-the-counter medications) during the trip, please bring the medication(s) to school **by Wednesday, June 5**. Medicine should be in a clearly marked container labeled with the **student's name** and **exact directions for dispensing**. Please put the container(s) in a **zip-lock plastic bag**.

- **Cell Phone Policy:** It is absolutely essential that Anacapa trips be free of unnecessary outside distractions. Our trips are carefully designed to be “in the moment” events to be experienced as a whole with the people on the trip. **Calls to and from friends and family take students out of the moment, pull them away from the experience, and go counter to the objectives of the experiential nature of Anacapa trips.**

Because cell phones are useful in an emergency, we do not want to ban them from trips. **Parents are asked not to call or text their student—even to leave a message—unless it is a true emergency.** If a student needs to contact a parent or guardian, the student must ask a teacher for permission to make a call. On the way home, students will be allowed to call their parents to update them on our actual arrival time. **Students who violate the school’s cell phone policy will have their cell phones confiscated.** Thank you for your support and cooperation!

- **Emergency Contact Numbers:** We will have with us copies of the health and emergency information form you completed upon enrollment. **Is yours up to date?** If not, please call the school office right away. Also, **parents who plan to be out of town or otherwise unreachable at the phone number(s) listed on the form must provide the school with emergency contact information** in writing no later than Wednesday, June 5.