

Friends of San Leandro Creek (FSLC) Watershed Education Programs

Since its inception, The Friends of San Leandro Creek has helped raise awareness of our natural resources through educational programs and special projects, including programs for K-12 grade classes.



All field trips are produced and provided by 10-year veteran SLUSD teacher Susan Levenson, and qualified teachers/naturalists. Program components may include Muwekma Ohlone life, watershed info, local settlement history, water quality testing, riparian habitat ecology, urban runoff/pollution prevention and environmental stewardship.

Thank you for caring about the environment. Thank you for protecting the creek.

-Friends of San Leandro Creek

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- **The Clean Water Program**
- &
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Visit our WEBSITE at:
WWW.FSLC.ORG!



New for the 2022-23 School Year!

Educator's Guide



Watershed Education Programs

Bring your class for a trip to remember!

This is not a SLUSD sponsored activity

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Take your class on a field trip to San Leandro Creek at Chabot Park! This site is accessible by BART and AC Transit. If you need assistance getting to Chabot Park, **we are offering free busing! We have limited funding, so sign up now for our busing Lottery!**

Classes will learn about watershed ecology through hands-on activities and creek exploration. Most trips are **custom made** to fit your classroom needs. These are **curriculum-based programs** that meet **Science and Social Science Content Standards for California**.

These programs are subject to weather conditions.



Nature Exploration

K-1st grade

1 hour

This experience concentrates on the diversity of creek life and the types of plants and animals that live on and near the creek. Introduces watersheds and why it's important to take care of them. Activities may include scavenger hunt, or "watershed in your hand".

What is a watershed?

1-2nd grade

1 hour

Field trip introduces the concept of watersheds as they connect to other ecosystems, creek habitat and inhabitants. Activities may include making your own watershed.

Creek and Native Californian Life

3rd/4th grade

2.5 hours

NEW for 2022-23!!

We are proud to introduce our newest field trip offering! For 3rd grade we've designed a two-part field trip experience. For the first hour, we'll play a Web of Life game that shows how every living thing is connected. Then students will explore the San Leandro Creek with dip nets to discover our creek Macroinvertebrate life. Next students will enjoy a 3-4 station activity based on our local Muwekma Ohlones. Each station will cover an aspect of California Native life; plants, stories, games and a chance for all students to attempt to make fire with traditional wooden fire makers!

Watershed Study



4-6th grade

2 hours

Field trip includes scientific concepts of watershed ecology through water quality testing and basic creek hydrology. Brief cultural history and look at changing landscapes of the East Bay. Activities may include water quality testing, map study.

Can't make it to the Creek? Do an In-Class Program:

School Ground Cleanup/Restoration/Stewardship Programs

K-6th grade

1-2 hours

We will visit your classroom and/or school grounds. We can tailor our program to fit your classroom focus.

6-12th Grade



1-3 hours

Trip focuses on the meaning and purpose of stewardship. May include litter cleanup on school grounds, or non-native plant removal. These or other meaningful hands-on activities will support your curriculum.



To register for a program, please sign up here:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050444A9A923ABF49-creek>

Questions? You can reach FSLC Coordinator Susan Levenson at 510-577-6069 or email: Slevenson@sanleandro.org