

Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site  
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## “Adobe Days Revisited” Fourth-Grade Field Trip

Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site presents “**Adobe Days Revisited,**” an engaging and dynamic tour that complements fourth-grade studies of California’s rancho era. Our costumed docents take children “back in time” to learn what daily life was like on the Bixby family’s rural sheep ranch, shortly before the City of Long Beach was founded. The tour’s interactive format includes a close-up look at the historic adobe house and gardens, plus an opportunity to play old-fashioned games, participate in every-day chores such as candle dipping or tin punch, and study period artifacts. Modern fourth-graders will gain an appreciation of daily activities on the Bixby family’s bustling California rancho in the late 1870s!

**Rancho Los Cerritos can accommodate two fourth-grade classes per day (up to 70 students).** For the 2009-2010 school year, “Adobe Days Revisited” tours will be offered on Wednesday & Thursday mornings, October – June. The tour lasts 2½ hours, beginning promptly at 9:30 a.m. and ending at noon. The tour format will be modified slightly in the case of inclement weather. Picnic tables are available for lunch after the tour. No food is available for purchase on site. Gift Shop is open by special request.

**The cost per class for an “Adobe Days Revisited” tour is \$100.** This rate includes up to 35 students and adult chaperones (at least one adult chaperone is required for every 17 students). Full payment must be made at least 45 days in advance, and there are no refunds after this date unless we are able to fill the space with another class. Limited educational scholarships are available, thanks to a grant from the Bess Hodges Foundation. Please call the Rancho for details: (562) 570-1755.

**The priority deadline is Friday, September 25, 2009.** Please return the “‘Adobe Days Revisited’ Tour Request Form” (below) by mail or fax before deadline. We ask that each school complete one form for all their fourth-grade classes. Tour confirmations (and waitlist notifications) will be mailed in early October.

**Teachers are expected to prepare their students in advance for their “Adobe Days Revisited” field trip.** Classroom teachers can fulfill this obligation by utilizing one of our award-winning educational outreach kits or by showing our *Yesterday’s People* video and incorporating lessons from our “*Adobe Days Revisited*” *Teacher Resource Manual* before their field trip. The manual and video are available in most LBSD elementary school libraries, and they are also available for purchase through the Rancho Los Cerritos Foundation (\$35 for both, shipping included). Our two educational outreach kits - “Handling History: Exploring Daily Life on a 19th Century Cattle Ranch” and “Through Children’s Eyes: Rancho Life with Harry & Sarah”- are described in the enclosed brochure. Please call the Education Department to set up a training date if you would like to borrow one of our educational outreach kits for use in your classroom.

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### “Adobe Days Revisited” Tour Request Form

Please MAIL to Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site, 4600 Virginia Road, Long Beach, CA 90807 or FAX to (562) 570-1893

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School Name	School District	School Phone Number
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School Address	City	Zip
_____	_____	_____
Contact Person’s Name	Contact Person’s Email	Contact Person’s Cell Phone

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1st Month Preference	2nd Month Preference	3rd Month Preference	
Day of the Week:	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Either Wednesday or Thursday
Scholarship:	<input type="checkbox"/> Requested	<input type="checkbox"/> Required	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Needed

Please list all fourth-grade teachers/classes that are interested in an “Adobe Days Revisited” tour. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

_____	_____	_____	_____
Teacher	# of Students	Teacher	# of Students
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