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**ANZA
BORREGO**
FOUNDATION

TEACHER SYMPOSIUM

The Anza-Borrego Foundation invites teachers interested in preserving, and sharing, the wonders of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, to our inaugural Teacher Symposium.

Join us for speakers, field tours, peer collaboration and discussion for building lesson plans to inspire students.

Where:

University California Irvine, Reserve System, Steele Burnand Anza-Borrego Desert Research Center, Located in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park.

Who:

Twenty-four visionary 3rd - 5th-grade teachers with an interest and passion for STEM, the Arts, Math, Language Arts, or Environmental Studies.

Why:

"We want to make sure there is a next generation that appreciates this unique natural environment" - Bri Fordem, Executive Director of the Anza-Borrego Foundation.

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EDUCATION PROGRAM AREAS

ABF commits to operating robust and inclusive education programs that both inspire and educate active and diverse audiences.



VIRTUAL EXPERIENCES

On-demand, online, free and fee-based classes and hikes focused on popular and lesser known locations in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. Virtual experiences give access to detailed information about geological, biological, cultural, paleontological and other facets of particular interests along the way.



SCHOOL-BASED PROGRAM WITH CAREER PATHWAYS

Three-year education program spanning elementary, middle and high school years. School-based learning augmented by outdoor desert experiences. Desert-related volunteer and service positions for high-school students, as well as internships, preparation for higher education and employment opportunities.



GUIDED HIKES & DRIVES

Guided and self-guided tours, on foot or by vehicle, of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. Self-guided tour materials will be printable or available via a device app and will include accompanying information about the scientific and cultural features of the tour route. Guided hikes will be available to the general public. Private tours can be arranged for a fee.



FIELD RESEARCH

Hands-on experiences in the desert learning from desert researchers. Adaptable for both professionals and lay-persons. Citizen-scientist activities with Anza-Borrego Desert State Park scientists and researchers based at Steele/Burnand Anza-Borrego Desert Research Center, (partnership between Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, Anza-Borrego Foundation, UC Irvine and the University of California Natural Reserve System).



CAMPING

State-of-the-art camping facility and programs will focus on providing immersive natural-world experiences. Environmental education for elementary, middle, and high-school students. Camp-and-learn adult, family and group programs, including night sky photography, geology, paleontology, archaeology, history and botany.



SYMPOSIA

Public environmental education through lectures, symposia, digital media and special events. Single or multi-day presentations on specific subjects or issues by Anza-Borrego Desert State Park interpreters, UC Irvine researchers and outside experts. Adaptable to professionals and lay-persons. Could be combined with other programs such as guided hikes and field research.

DESERT TO COAST



Comprehensive education program focused on the integrated ecosystems in the region between Anza-Borrego Desert State Park and the Pacific Ocean — desert, mountains, chaparral and coast. Topics include the interdependence of different environments; why and how people, plants and animals moved among these environments; and challenges and opportunities for humans, then and now.