

# GARRETT JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL BOBCATS



August 22, 2018

Dear Sixth Grade Families:

Through our science program, our sixth grade students have the unique opportunity of going to the Catalina Island Marine Institute (CIMI) at Toyon Bay for three days and two nights on **Friday, January 18, 2019 through Sunday, January 20, 2019**. This trip will culminate an extensive study of oceanography, whereby students will participate in a variety of hands-on science labs, experiments, and classes with touch tanks. The highlight of the trip will be students suiting up in wet-suits and snorkeling to see marine life in the natural environment of the ocean.

We will meet in the parking lot of Garrett Junior High School on Friday, January 18, 2019 at 1:15 a.m. to board chartered buses. The buses will take us to Long Beach, California, where we will board a ferry to Catalina Island at approximately 8:30 a.m. The ferry will take us to Toyon Bay, home of the Catalina Island Marine Institute. Students will stay in dormitories on the CIMI campus and all meals will be prepared and provided to campers by the CIMI staff. All instruction at the camp is also provided by CIMI staff. After the last class on Sunday morning, we will board the ferry and come back to Long Beach where the chartered buses will be waiting to bring us back to the school's parking lot. Estimated time of arrival back to Garrett is 9:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 20, 2019.

The cost of the trip will be **\$400.00** per child. This price includes transportation, camp fees, lodging and food while at the camp. In addition, students will need to bring at least \$20.00 to pay for their own breakfast Friday morning and their own dinner on Sunday night. I encourage you to have your child help raise money for this amazing trip.

Reservations are due by Monday, October 1, 2018 with a non-refundable \$200 deposit made directly to the CIMI account in Student Store/Pay Fees section on our [garrettjhs.com](http://garrettjhs.com) webpage. **There will be no cash or check payments accepted.** You can choose to make two payments or one payment in full. Space is limited, there are only 80 student spaces available. A valid reservation includes the four attached forms. All forms need to be completed in full, before given to me. A waiting list will be created after the first 80 students pay their non-refundable deposit. A final \$200.00 payment is due December 3, 2018. **NO LATE PAYMENTS ACCEPTED!**

**Please note:** In order to attend the trip, students must **not** have an (RPC) Required Parent Conference or suspension, from August 13, 2018 through the date of the trip. Bear in mind that the \$200 non-refundable deposit and any monies collected for the trip will not be refunded should your child receive an RPC or suspension. This will be subject to administrative discretion.

**Chaperones:** During the trip, the adult to student ratio will be 10 to one. Mrs. Barlow and I will be heading up the trip. We will be taking 10 to 12 other chaperones, offering the trip to teachers first, and then to parent chaperones. Parents that are first responders, doctors, EMT's or first-aid/CPR certified will be given first preference. The cost for each chaperone will be \$400.00. All chaperones **MUST** go through the fingerprinting process and fill out the application at [ccsd.net/protectourkids](http://ccsd.net/protectourkids). If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at [mayca@nv.ccsd.net](mailto:mayca@nv.ccsd.net).

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