



Mission Basilica San Diego de Alcalá

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2010-2011 School Year

Dear Fourth Grade Teachers,

We would like to outline some new changes to our reservation process and to our interpretive displays.

TO SCHEDULE A TOUR:

Tour Schedule: September 2010 through May 2011, Mondays through Fridays 9:00 am – 3:00pm. No more than three classes per hour.

Donation: \$20.00 per class.

Payment: Check made payable to **Mission San Diego** and mailed upon booking to the address above.

Rescheduling will be accommodated subject to availability. Donations are non-refundable.

TOUR CONTENT:

Topics such as why Missions were established in California, how they were established, a history of the Kumeyaay and cross-cultural differences will be discussed. Tour groups will visit the Church and learn about the artifacts and architecture. A tour of the grounds, the archaeological site and museum will be included. All classes are encouraged to avail themselves of our docents who have been trained in mission history using primary source material.

Our newest addition is the renovation of the oldest room at the Mission, now called Casa de Los Padres. The room now has ten event drawings depicting important happenings in Mission San Diego history. We are also proud to present two dioramas built by Dr. Jack Williams, noted historian and archaeologist, and funded by California Missions Foundation.

SELF-GUIDED TOURS: If you are unable to reserve a docent-led tour or if you decide to come on your own without scheduling a tour, the donation will be the usual entry donation of \$1.00 per student and \$3.00 per adult. Scheduled tours have priority on the grounds of the Mission.

LUNCH/SNACKS: Please be aware that the Mission does not have facilities to accommodate food or snacks on the grounds: accordingly, food and beverage (with the exception of water) consumption on the grounds is not permitted. Please make other arrangements.

We look forward to sharing the wonderful history of Mission San Diego de Alcalá with you and we shall do our best to make it a positive experience for you and your class.

Sincerely,

Mission San Diego de Alcalá