



DANA Adobe Cultural Center

Field Trips

Only
\$6 Per
Student!

DANA Adobe Cultural Center offers exciting hands-on experiences for grade school students. Active learning programs explore nature, outdoor education and early California history, experiencing life in the 1840's Californio Days. Our programs not only entertain and educate students, but they also meet California curriculum standards. Programs are best suited for 3rd - 5th grade classrooms, however, DANA is actively expanding education program offerings this academic school year.

Cultural Program:

- **Dancing:** Learn some Mexican Folk dances that the Dana children may have danced at a Fiesta.
- **Tortilla Making:** Learn how to make flour tortillas. Learn about the foods the Dana family ate.
- **Brick-making:** Learn about the basic building materials of the early California homes and help make adobe bricks.
- **Vaquero Station:** Learn the role the vaqueros played during the rancho era. Practice roping while riding a wine-barrel pony.
- **Branding:** Learn what brands were used for and how to read them. Design your own brand and participate in a round-up.
- **Wash Station:** Learn about clothing and how clothes were washed on the Rancho.
- **House Tours:** Take a tour of the Dana Adobe, a California historic landmark home dating back to the 1830's, and learn about the rich history surrounding it.

Outdoor Education STEM Program:

- **Sketch Captain Dana's Tree:** This is a guided art lesson. Students learn about the California Sycamore, and they also learn how to create a background, foreground, and other drawing techniques.
- **Bird Circle:** Students use binoculars to locate birds and learn about the functions of beaks and claws for feeding.
- **The Oak Tree:** Learn about Oaks and the life they support.
The Meadow: Learn about plants and animals that lived on the Rancho.
- **Nature Walk:** Suitable for 4th grade and above. Discover the different ecological settings at Rancho Nipomo on our Nature Walk.

NEW

Coming Soon:

- Chumash Program
- Archeology Station



How to Schedule a Tour:

1. Go online to www.danaadobe.org/education-programs/ and fill out the Field Trip Program Application Form (Found near bottom of page.)
2. View Calendar on webpage to see available field trip days (available days will be marked with "OPEN Field Trip Day," if a school name is listed that day has already been booked.)

*All school programs are booked on a first-come, first-served basis.

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