

6th Grade GATE overnight
Long Beach Aquarium of the Pacific
October 29-30

**Donation requested to cover just the cost of this trip:
\$120 per student**

*Donation and permission slip must be in the
MBMS office by October 22nd, 2008*

Schedule of Events

October 29, 2008

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| 4:00 pm | Load buses in front of MBMS |
| 4:30-5:30pm | Driving to the Aquarium of the Pacific in Long Beach by bus |
| 5:30-6:00pm | Tour of Aquarium led by a member of their education staff which includes a 'behind the scenes look' |
| 6:00-7:00pm | Pizza and lemonade dinner/free time to explore |
| 7:00-9:00pm | Aquacology |

Designed for 9th -12th grade students. Water is water, or is it? In this class your children will explore the world of aquariums and aquarium filtration. By building their own aquarium systems complete with filtration and live animals, students will discover the importance of water quality and what it takes to keep water suitable to support life. Protein skimmers, bio-towers, UV sterilizers and other state of the art aquarium filtration components will be explored in this interactive class.

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| 9:00-9:30pm | Students will watch a documentary about coral reefs/ a light late night snack will be available |
| 9:30-10:00pm | Get ready for bed |
| 10:00pm | Lights out |

October 30, 2008

6:00 am Wake up
6:30am Cereal Breakfast
7:00am Leave Long Beach Aquarium and walk over to
the docks
7:30-10:00 am Sea Creature Safari

At-Sea programs are designed to let students get hands-on experience on the ocean. Aboard the Coast Guard-certified boat, the *Conqueror*, your child will enjoy getting out on the open ocean and learning about marine ecology and conservation.

10:00-10:30am Collect belongings and board bus

10:30-11:00am Driving back to MBMS

Students are dismissed for the day or they may go back to class. . I will inform the teachers that the students will not have an opportunity to complete homework.

Students need to bring:

- Sleeping bag
- Sleeping attire
- Personal toiletries
- Change of clothes
- Sweatshirt or light jacket

Do NOT bring:

- Any electronics (There is not a safe place to store them.)
- Extra food or drinks
- School backpacks unless using it as the overnight bag

(Bring as little as possible. Space is limited on the bus and in the unlocked storage bins at the Long Beach Aquarium.)