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**Announcing the Fall 2008
Student Living History Program (SLHP)
at Fort Tejon State Historic Park.**

Dear Educators, Parents and Children's Educational Organization Leaders,

Fort Tejon State Historic Park offers a unique hands-on interpretive living history program for 4th & 5th grade children. We are now offering our Fall 2008 schedule of programs. Fort Tejon SHP invites you and your fellow educators to consider enrolling your class in one of our one-of-a-kind field trips. You and your class can take a field trip back in time to early California of the 1850s and discover everyday life at this mountain outpost of the U.S. Army.

This exciting educational opportunity is extended to schools on a first come, first served basis. Your class's reservation is confirmed by submitting the enclosed Program Reservation Form by mail or facsimile machine. A \$50.00 deposit is required by August 1st, 2008 for the Fall 2008 program to continue holding your reservation.

A list of available dates is included in this packet. Please pick a date that best suits your classes schedule and submit your desired date as soon as possible. Please do not delay in making your reservation, as the available dates go very quickly.

Some particulars about this unique educational opportunity are:

- The program is designed for Fourth and Fifth grade level children (9-11 years of age.)
 - The SLHP is designed to be an overnight experience. The program begins around 9:00 AM and ends at approx. 10:00 AM the next day.
 - There is a \$35.00 fee per student for the SLHP event and \$15.00 fee per adult. This fee includes two meals and program materials. Two meals are provided by Fort Tejon SHP, supper & breakfast.
 - In order to confirm your reservation, a \$50.00 deposit is required by August 1st, 2008 for the Fall 2008 program.
 - Payment should be made payable to: *State of California, Dept. of Parks and Recreation.*
 - Participants must provide their individual or group lunch for the noon time meal.
 - Minimum of **20** and Maximum of **40** students per program. Teachers/Adult assistants may exceed this number.
 - Extensive adult involvement is required for a successful program. A minimum of **6** adult assistants and **1** teacher per class must be present during the entire program.
 - Teachers and adult assistants **must** attend pre-program training at Fort Tejon SHP. A four hour pre-program training workshop will be conducted 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Saturday, September 6th, 2008
- Training is mandatory in order to participate in the SLHP.**
- A waiting list will be maintained to fill any vacancies that may occur.

I look forward to working with you and the educators of your school / organization again. You are especially invited to attend any of our interpretive living history programs at Fort Tejon SHP.

Sincerely,

Sean T. Malis, State Park Interpreter I
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