



# THE SUMMER SCIENCE SAFARI SUMMER CAMP 2017



## Katy/BJHS

Session 1

Session 2

Session 3

Session 4

## Week of:

June 5, 2017

June 12, 2017

June 19, 2017

June 26, 2017

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***Where Science and Summer Fun Meet!***

### Introduction

It's that time of year again and we've been working hard to prepare a science camp experience that will make your child excited about science. We will explore some new destinations as well as some old favorites. Your student has seen the pictures in the science textbooks, now they can experience the science first hand. Whether it's exploring the ecology of **Galveston Bay by a working research vessel** or **exploring the Hill Country by Zip-Line**, your child is sure to learn and see many fascinating things—not to mention having a great time.

We believe the middle school/junior high years are a time for exploring and investigation...and having a little fun learning along the way. Young people are developing their dreams for the future at this age. At **Summer Science Safari**, we help students envision their futures. We pack as much science and learning into five days as we can, then top it off with lots of fun.

***Once again, we are proud to announce that Kate Kitchens and Kristen Rush will be offering the Summer Science Safari Summer Camp at Beck JHS.***

**Kate Kitchens** attended the University of Texas at San Antonio where she received her bachelor's degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. She began her career as a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science teacher in Katy ISD. After 3 years of teaching 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Kate made the move to Junior High to teach 6<sup>th</sup> grade science. Kate has a passion for all things education and science and enjoys sharing that passion with her students. **Kristen Rush** started her career in science studying and working in marine biology in Bermuda and Corpus Christi. Following a stint synthesizing DNA she decided to return to school and received her Masters in Secondary Science Education from the University of Houston. Kristen has taught a variety of science courses, from aquatic science to integrated physics and chemistry to environmental science, geology and the variety of topics covered in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Obviously, science is her love! This is Kate and Kristen's second year leading *the Summer Science Safari* at Beck and they have lots of experience leading field trips and have a passion to show your students what fun science can be.

**Even though the Camp operates from Beck Junior High School, all current 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in the Greater Katy/West Houston area are welcome.**

## Itinerary

Minor schedule and activity changes are possible.

### Day 1:

**Rock Climbing, Dinosaurs, and Scuba....**We will start the day with a new feature—a **Rock Climbing Lesson**. We're really excited to offer a great way for the kids to "hang" with their friends. Next, we'll be heading over to the **Houston Museum of Natural Science** to check out some attractions and special events. Lastly, it is back to the area for a beginners **Scuba Diving lesson**. No prior experience needed for this day's dive. **Certified diving instructors** will introduce the kids to the world of scuba diving. Instructors will work with the kids and teach them all the do's and don'ts of scuba diving. Each child will be equipped with the **latest dive gear and instruction**, then they will spend time diving with a scuba tank in the dive school pool.



### Day 2

This day we will head to **Texas A&M University** for a day of real science. We will begin our day with a tour of the **Texas A&M University Medical School**—one of the newest and most modern in the country..



Then we are off to learn about **Nuclear Power** and get an up close look at a **working nuclear reactor**. From there we will stop at **TEEX Fire Fighting School**. Fire Fighters from around the world practice their fire fighting skills here and learn the skills to save lives at **Disaster City**; Disaster city is a mockup of a destroyed town. Crushed buildings, massive car pile ups, train wrecks and crashed airplanes are all used



here to teach lifesaving skills. Then, it is on to a **Cold-Physics Presentation** by professors in the Physics Department. *Have you ever stuck your hand in Liquid Nitrogen?* It will give you chills! Our last stop is the Chemistry Department where the students will be given a great **Chemistry Show**....Sparks will fly!

### Day 3

Today, we we're off to **Fiesta Texas** in San Antonio for an afternoon of **breathtaking rides, cool streams, and entertainment**. Later, we will be staying at the **Exotic Resort Zoo in Johnson City** where llamas, camels, and all kinds of exotic animals come right to the fence at our log cabins...of course, there will be separate girls and boys cabins. We'll have a huge bonfire that night and a great pool. After a bit of settling in, we're off to **the Country Cupboard in Johnson City**. After dinner, we have a real treat in store to top off the evening.



### Day 4

On this day we will be heading into Johnson City to visit the **Science Mill**, the best hands-on science experience in Texas. Next, it's on to the **Wimberley Zip-Line**. Here trained professionals will take us on a **Zip-line tour over the Texas Hill Country**. Emphasis will be placed on **ecology, safety, and fun**



### Day 5

Off to Galveston for this last day of the camp. We have **two Marine Biology activities**. These will provide a unique hands-on opportunity to study aquatic habitats. First, students will visit **Texas A&M University-Galveston** and be treated to a **shark dissection activity**. After lunch, we will board the 44 foot **Texas A&M research vessel, the Earl Milan**. During this time we will investigate the physical, chemical, and biological processes which make estuaries such highly productive systems. Students will learn to use Secchi Disks, Peterson Grabs, Nansen bottles, plankton nets and Otter Trawls.



**All of this for only \$599.00 including all travel, tickets, and entry fees.**

**Lunches, snacks, gifts, and souvenirs are all the responsibility of the Parents and Students.**

All participants must be currently in Grades 5-8. There is a maximum of 13 participants to fill each session. Additional applicants will be placed on a waiting list.

For additional information, please contact either

Kristen Rush at: [KristenRush@KATYISD.ORG](mailto:KristenRush@KATYISD.ORG) or Call at 832-779-1678

or

Kate Kitchens at: [Kate\\_Kitchens@yahoo.com](mailto:Kate_Kitchens@yahoo.com) or Call at 832-464-4737

The **Summer Science Safari** is a privately company and is not affiliated with any Public or Private School in any manner.

**Pick Up and Return will be at Beck Junior High School in Katy. Camp Registration Instructions and Forms...Simple as 1, 2, 3!**

# Step 1—Fill out the following Registration and Release Forms **COMPLETELY!**

## SUMMER SCIENCE SAFARI 2017 Registration Form

1<sup>st</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Katy-Beck Session 1 Week of June 5

2<sup>nd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Katy-Beck Session 2 Week of June 12

Katy-Beck Session 3 Week of June 19

Katy-Beck Session 4 Week of June 26

Please Print

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: M / F (Circle One)

First

Middle

Last

Current Science Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Current School and Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Can we place you on a Session Roster? Yes/No

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street

APT

City,

State,

Zip

Phone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home

Parent's work

Cell Ph or Pager #

Parent or Guardian e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about the SSS? Internet / School Flyer / Print Advertising / Friend / Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Summer Science Safari 2017

### RECOGNITION AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT/PHYSICIAN RELEASE/PHOTO RELEASE FORM

I, the undersigned parent/legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, authorize said child's full participation in **Summer Science Safari Summer Camp**, including related program activities. It is my understanding that participation in the activities that make up **Summer Science Safari Summer Camp** is not without some inherent risk of injury. As such, in consideration of my child's participation in **Summer Science Safari Summer Camp**, I hereby release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue the program, the **Summer Science Safari**, their officers, servants, agents, or employees from any and all liability, claims, demands, action, and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, that may be sustained by my child, whether caused by the negligence of the releasees, or otherwise while participating in such activity, or while in, or upon the premises where the activity is being conducted. I also give my permission for any emergency medical care or treatment by a physician, surgeon, hospital, or medical care facility that may be required, including transportation, and accept responsibility for the cost. I also understand that any insurance policy carried by the Summer Science Safari, if any, will provide only minimum coverage and that I should make sure my child is covered with family insurance in the event of a serious accident.

Print Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Insurance Company & Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I also understand that by submitting this form my child's picture and name of school may be published on the Internet, advertising, or news articles under the **Summer Science Safari Summer Camp**. No names or addresses will be associated with photos.

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I also agree to follow all instructions and procedures in order to provide the best environment for learning and to maintain maximum level of safety. I also understand that I may be dismissed from the *Summer Science Safari* without refund to my parents due to continued or severe misbehavior.

Student's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED FOR EVERY STUDENT PARTICIPATING IN THE SUMMER SCIENCE SAFARI SUMMER CAMP.**

## Step 2: Include Payment

**Payment by Check:** Complete the Registration and include a check for \$599.00 made out to *Summer Science Safari*.

**Payment by Credit Card or PayPal:** If you choose you can elect to be invoiced via email from *PayPal* and *Summer Science Safari* where you may **SECURELY PAY** by *Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, or PayPal* via the link in the email.

Please sign here if you would like to pay via this method: \_\_\_\_\_

You can also request our office to call you for your credit card information! If choosing this option, please circle YES.

**Step 3: Place Registration Forms and/or Payment** in sealed envelope and **deliver to Kate Kitchens or Kristen Rush via the front office at Beck Junior High School in Katy**. After verifying a reservation with a sponsor, you can also mail the registration documents to:

**Summer Science Safari**  
21430 Olympic Forest Drive  
Porter, Texas 77365