



City Tree Christian School Middle School Trip Fee Schedule 2016-2017

Each year our 6th-8th grade students embark on special travel opportunities outside the school that enhance specific areas of the curriculum and allow them to explore and apply what they are learning in the classroom. Students look forward to these trips each year and often identify them as the more memorable experiences during their time at City Tree.

Faculty takes care to weave these trips into the fabric of the curriculum, preparing students beforehand for each experience. As a result, we expect all students to participate. The fees outlined below directly cover the costs associated with each trip. This year we are offering 2 payment options. Separate statements will be sent out for Middle School activity fees, but they are subject to the same late payment penalties as tuition. Payment on time and in full is absolutely necessary so that we can make the appropriate deposits and payments to the organizations which with we partner for the trips. Please note that students whose payment accounts are not current at the time of each trip will NOT be eligible to attend regardless of any payments already submitted. School will not be available for students who do not attend the trips.

Students participate in fundraising each year by working in the school's student store. All profit made from these efforts is divided and distributed to Middle School families in the form of a rebate at the end of each school year. The school also encourages and supports any additional parent fundraising efforts in order to offset the costs of these trips.

Total Fees Due:

- **6th Grade - \$190.00** (covers 6th grade camp only)
- **7th Grade - \$1,350.00** (covers 7th grade Catalina Camp and deposits for 8th grade leadership activities and east coast trip)
- **8th Grade - \$1,350.00** (covers balance of 8th grade leadership activities and east coast trip costs)

Payment Options:

- Payment in full due July 1
- Monthly payments (equal payments August-May): 6th Grade – \$19.00/mo; 7th/8th Grades - \$135.50/mo (before rebate applied)

**7th/8th Grade Student Store Rebates will be added in June and total MSAF fees reduced accordingly.

6th Grade – Indian Hills Camp, Jamul, CA. This is a 5 day camp (Monday-Friday) scheduled in the spring of each school year. On Monday of each camp week, students go through “Base Camp” led by City Tree staff on the school campus. This day includes orientation activities and information, designed by Indian Hills, that prepare students for the camp experience. On Tuesday, students travel to the camp and return on Friday. The camp experience includes Earth Science hands on activities (required 6th grade curriculum), outdoor education and survival skills, and Christian education. For more information on Indian Hills, check out www.indianhillscamp.com.

7th Grade – Mountain and Sea Marine Science Camp, Catalina, CA. This is 3 day camp (Wednesday-Friday) scheduled in October of each school year. Students leave for camp on Wednesday of each week, traveling by ferry from Long Beach to Emerald Bay, and returning on Friday. This camp is an action-packed, hands-on look at marine biology with close ties to 7th grade Life Science curriculum. Students spend time exploring sea life both on the sea in kayaks and boats, and on land using touch tanks and exhibits. For more information on Mountain and Sea, check out www.mountainandsea.org.

8th Grade – Leadership Activities. Students participate in a variety of off campus leadership activities in the fall of each school year. As leaders on our campus, students spend time identifying and learning about their spiritual gifts and personal talents, how teamwork applies to service, and ways in which they can be leaders both in and out of school. These include ACSI Middle School Leadership Conventions (locations vary each year).

8th Grade Washington DC trip. This is a 5-6 day drip scheduled in the spring of each school year. City Tree staff partner with Joshua Expeditions, a Christian student travel company, to explore our nation's capitol and “travel” back to colonial times in Williamsburg and Jamestown, VA. Students travel by plane to Washington where Joshua Expedition guides and City Tree staff guide exploration of the downtown DC area including the Capitol building, Supreme Court, White House, museums, presidential monuments, and war memorials. Later in the week, students participate in “living history” as they explore colonial Williamsburg and Jamestown. For more information on Joshua Expeditions and to view sample trip itineraries, check out www.joshuaexpeditions.com.