

WHO: Unit & Council Advocacy/Legislative Reps, PTA Presidents, School Board Trustees and Superintendents. Attendees must be:

- Current PTA members in good standing.
- Voted as representatives by a PTA unit or council, if unit or Council paying.
- 18+ years old or High School student accompanied by a parent.

WHAT: Sacramento Safari is Fourth District PTA's annual two-day advocacy trip to our State Capitol. Up to 100 Orange County PTA members get to hear from key speakers on issues that affect children, youth, and families; learn about the inner workings of state government; advocate directly to our legislators; and network with other PTA advocates. This is a highly informative and fascinating two days!

WHEN: Starts Monday morning, February 25, 2019, in Sacramento; ends at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, February 26. (*Orientation meeting is 9:30 a.m. February 8, at Fountain Valley SD.*)

WHERE: Embassy Suites Hotel, Sacramento & the California State Capitol.

WHY: Because PTA is a child advocacy organization. We speak up for kids! Don't miss this important PTA leadership development opportunity.

BUDGET:

- \$340 per person double occupancy, or \$455 single occupancy, through December 15, 2018.
- On December 16, 2018, the price increases to \$370 per person double occupancy or \$495 single occupancy.
- PTA unit or council pays for airfare, ground transportation/parking, Tuesday lunch/dinner.
- Plan on about \$650 total.

REGISTRATION:

- Online or paper forms accepted. <u>www.fourthdistrictpta.org</u>
- Registration deadline: January 26, 2018, or when 100 places are filled.
- Registration fee includes:
 - ✓ One night at the Embassy Suites, Sacramento
 - ✓ Lunch & dinner on Monday, breakfast on Tuesday
 - ✓ Conference materials
 - Admission to presentations
 - ✓ Legislative advocacy visit to Capitol to speak up for kids & education
 - Fully refundable registration fee until January 26, 2019; after that it is transferrable if you find a replacement for yourself and your PTA votes to approve the new person.

Follow these steps to participate!

How to join us

1. Have your PTA budget approximately \$650 for each Safari attendee.

"I move to add a budget line item for <u>Advocacy – Sacramento Safari</u> in an amount not to exceed \$650." (More if you prefer single occupancy. We can designate a roommate.)

2. Your PTA must vote to send a representative.

"I move that we designate Jane Smith to represent our PTA at Fourth District's Sacramento Safari for 2019." (You may also want to make a motion to release funds after this vote.)

- **3.** Register (online is preferred, but there is also a mail-in option). Go to <u>www.fourthdistrictpta.org</u> for details.
- 4. Book your flights early for best savings!

After you've signed up

Attend the Orientation Meeting:

- It's Friday, February 8, 2019, 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m., at the Fountain Valley School District Board Room, 10055 Slater Ave., Fountain Valley.
- Our Fourth District PTA Advocacy Team will give you an overview of the trip, prepare you to participate effectively, furnish you with background materials, and answer your questions.

Prepare for your trip:

- Review the materials we provide at orientation, and discuss with your local PTA leaders and school officials the issues that are most important to your school and district.
- The Fourth District PTA Advocacy Team will set up the legislator appointments for you, prepare you in advance on how best to represent your PTA, and will accompany you when you meet with individual California Senators and/or Assembly Members from Orange County in their Capitol offices.

If you have any questions...

Contact us at: <u>Sac-safari@fourthdistrictpta.org</u>

When you get back:

Report back to your PTA about what you learned, how it went, and what comes next!

Please join us. You'll be glad you did!

- Suzanne Gauntlett, Sacramento Safari Chairman
- Kathleen Fay, Sacramento Safari Co-Chairman

